



THE SOUTH COAST ORCHID CLUB OF SA INC.

Gazette

July 2021

Patron: Coralie Hills FAOC
President: Michael Willoughby

HAPPY 56TH BIRTHDAY SOUTH COAST ORCHID CLUB

AT A GLANCE

The next General Meeting of the South Coast Orchid Club of SA will be held on Monday 12th July 2021 at the RSL Hall, 4 Prince George Parade, Colonel Light Gardens. Our Guest Speaker will be Nicky Zurcher speaking on Paphiopedilum Orchids. Nicky will be bringing plants for sale.

LEARNERS' GROUP: There will be a Learners' Group Meeting at the June Meeting at 7.15pm.

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 at Lou Kesting Hall, off Broadway, South Brighton on Thursday 8th July 2021 at 2.00 pm. Our Guest Speaker will be Roger Herraman speaking on "What Orchids grow best in Adelaide". Roger will bring plants for sale.

SOUTHERN REGION: The next meeting will be held at 2.00 pm on Sunday 18th July 2021 in Carrickalinga House, 17-19 Torrens Street, Victor Harbor. Our Guest Speaker will be Jane Higgs speaking on "What do Judges look for & How to prepare for the Show Bench". Learners Group will be held at 1.15 pm.

WINTER SHOW: The Winter Show will be held on 24th and 25th July 2021 in the Aberfoyle Park Community Centre 1 Jessica Street, Aberfoyle Park. See later in the gazette for details.

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.

VALE CLIFF WEGENER

It was with sadness that the Club learned of the passing of Cliff Wagener. We extend our sympathy to his family and friends within the Orchid World.

R.I.P.

DEADLINES FOR NEXT GAZETTES
25 July and 29 August

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	2008 Geoff and Lucy Spear	

SUBSCRIPTIONS:

Subscriptions for 2021 are now over due. If you are unsure if you have paid, please ring the Treasurer 8270 3090.

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)

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President's Message

SAROC Fair was held over the weekend of 19th & 20th June and credit must be given to the organisers and clubs who were able to stage and put on a show with such little preparation time. Congratulations are in order for the team behind South Coast's display. This year it was a display full of interest, with a great theme of Australiana used with a beautifully painted backdrop, I understand that there were only two votes between the winning display (Orchidaceous Society) and the two displays tied behind them. The Grand Champion plant of the Fair (*Paph. villosum* 'Orchidhaven') came from the SA Orchidaceous Society's display which was also Champion Display of the Show. The South Coast display provided the Champion Laeliinae and the Champion Seedling of the Fair. On the Saturday night at the annual SAROC dinner the attendees were given a presentation from Peter McCauley on Western Australian Terrestrials.

This month Nicky Zurcher will be visiting us to talk all things Paphiopedilums (always interesting) and Nicky also will be bringing plants for purchase so come along and see if anything takes your eye.

We are in full swing of the orchid flowering season and this means shows. Our Winter show is coming up soon on the weekend July 24th & 25th at the Aberfoyle Park Community Centre. More details on the show in the Gazette. It is time to select your plants for the show to help put on a show to the public and also to make some room in your growing area by selling your excess flowering plants through the trading table and making some extra cash that maybe can go to expanding your collection.

I hope you are enjoying the plentiful rain over the last few weeks, I know I am and finally the tanks are full, although the cold has slowed the plants down.

Happy 56th Birthday to The South Coast Orchid Club of South Australia

Successful growing and showing

Michael Willoughby



Happy Birthday

**AUDREY BIEBRICK, PAULINE HOCKEY,
MARK HOCKEY, BRIAN LYTTLE,
CHARLES ORTLIPP, SYD JAMES,
ANDREW CRAIG, HELEN HUMPHRIES,
BARB SEMMENS**

Is your name in the Birthday Book ??



NEW AOC STUDENT JUDGES TRAINING PROGRAM

The SA Regional AOC Judging Panel is seeking applications from orchid growers interested in undertaking the student judges training program leading to full qualification to be an accredited AOC Judge.

If you are interested you should speak to Phil Steer for more information on what is involved in the course and how to apply.



ORCHID CALENDAR 2021

[These dates are subject to COVID-19 directives]

DAYTIME CHAPTER

Thursday 8th July 2021 2.00 pm
Lou Kesting Hall, Dover Square, Brighton South
Guest Speaker: Roger Herraman speaking on "What Orchids grow best in Adeliade." Roger will bring plants for sale.

GENERAL MEETING

Monday 12th July 2021 8.00 pm
RSL Hall 4 Prince George, Parade Colonel Light Gardens
Guest Speaker: Nicky Zurcher speaking on Paphiopeilum Orchids. Nicky will have plants for Sale

COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday 14th July 2021 7.30 pm

SOUTHERN REGION MEETING

Sunday 18th July 2021 2.00 pm
Carrickalinga House, Victor Harbor
Guest Speaker: Jane Higgs on "What do judges look for & How to prepare for the Show Bench"

WINTER SHOW

Saturday 24th July to Sunday 25th July 2021
Aberfoyle Park Community Centre, 1 Jessica Street
(Cnr. Sandpiper Crescent), Aberfoyle Park

SOUTHERN REGION SHOW

Wednesday 18th August to Saturday 21 August 2021
Victor Central Shopping Centre

SPRING SHOW

Wednesday 22nd September to Sunday 26th September 2021
Seaford Central Shopping Centre

WINTER SHOW

Saturday 24th & 25th July 2021

ABERFOYLE PARK COMMUNITY CENTRE

1 Jessica Street (Cnr. Sandpiper Crescent) Aberfoyle Park

Please remember the current health directive for COVID 19 will apply to our site. You will be required to sign in. The Committee needs the assistance of the members to volunteer to help on the Trading Table. Sell your surplus plants on the Trading Table, ask Anne for swing tickets and selling sheets. At this Show we are able to sell any plants on the trading Table, not just Orchids.

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

PUT IN: Saturday 24th July 7.30 – 8.15 am. Plants for Display & plants for Trading Table.

JUDGING: Saturday 24th July 9.00 am.

PUBLIC: Sat 10.30 am - 4.00 pm.

TAKE OUT: Sunday 25th July at 4pm.

Sun 10.00 am - 4.00 pm

Potting Demonstrations 1.30 pm Saturday and Sunday. Also A **Raffle**.

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

TRADING TABLE: You may sell any plants not just orchids on the Trading Table

WINTER SHOW SCHEDULE 2021

CARD CLASSES NOT FOR PROMOTION – CARD ONLY	PROMOTIONAL CLASS PRIZE MONEY	GENERA & DIVISIONAL CHAMPIONS (PRIZE MONEY)
Australian Native. Epiphyte Species. Epiphyte Hybrid. Terrestrial Species. Terrestrial Hybrid. Specimen, Seedling.	Best Aust. Native	Champion Australian Native
Cymbidium - Over 90mm. All Colours	Best Cymbidium Over 90mm.	Champion Cymbidium Over 90mm
Species, Specimen, Seedling. Cymbidium - 60-90mm. All Colours	Best Cymbidium 60-90mm.	Champion Cymbidium 60-90mm
Species, Specimen, Seedling. Cymbidium - Under 60mm. All Colours	Best Cymbidium Under 60mm.	Champion Cymbidium Under 60mm.
Species, Specimen, Seedling. Paphiopedilum. Standard. Non Standard. Species, Specimen, Seedling.	Best Paphiopedilum	Champion Paphiopedilum
Laeliinae. Standard >100mm. Standard <100mm. Cluster. Non Standard. Species, Specimen, Seedling.	Best Laeliinae	Champion Laeliinae
Oncidiinae. Oncidium Hybrid <60mm. Oncidium Hybrid <60mm. Species, Specimen, Seedling.	Best Oncidiinae	Champion Oncidiinae
Zygopetalinae. Zygopetalum Hybrid. Zygopetalinae Hybrid. Zygopetalinae Species. Specimen, Seedling.	Best Zygopetalinae	Champion Zygopetalinae

WINTER SHOW SCHEDULE 2021

CARD CLASSES NOT FOR PROMOTION – CARD ONLY	PROMOTIONAL CLASS PRIZE MONEY	GENERA & DIVISIONAL CHAMPIONS (PRIZE MONEY)
Phalaenopsis. Standard Hybrid. Non Standard Hybrid. Dendrobium Other than Aust. Native. Hybrid.	Best Phalaenopsis Best Den. other than Aust. Native	Champion Any Other Genus
Vandeae. Standard Hybrid. Non Standard Hybrid.	Best Vandeae	
Any Other Genus. Hybrid. Species, Specimen, Seedling.	Best Any Other Genus	
THE GRAND CHAMPION IS SELECTED FROM GENERA CHAMPIONS		

Champion Seedling
Champion Species
Champion Specimen
Division Champions

^^ The best Australian Native Hybrid in the Show will be eligible to be nominated for the Ira Butler/Kevin Western Trophy.

++ The best Australian Native Species in the Show will be eligible to be nominated for the Bill Murdoch/Les Nesbitt Trophy.

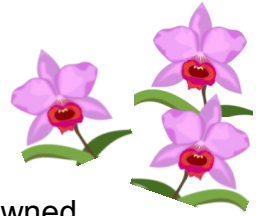
+++ Roy Hill Trophy for best Novelty Cymbidium

++++ Garard Western Trophy for member Hybridiser's Seedling

Chin Yew Lian Trophy Best Seedling

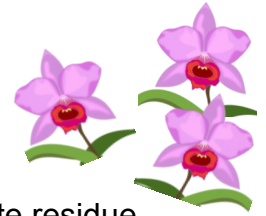


EXHIBITORS' RULES FOR SHOWS



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

PREPARING ORCHIDS FOR SALE



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



SAROC FAIR CHAMPION LAELINIIE

L. anceps

Grown By

Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju

Photo Neil Cooper

SAROC FAIR - SOUTH COAST DISPLAY



STOP PRESS

At the recent SAROC fair two of our members had plants awarded by the Australian Orchid Council.

***Den. Wamberal* 'Ginger Meggs'**

Grown by Geoff & Lucy Spear
was awarded an ACM/AOC
(which is a cultural award)
We were lucky to see it last month.

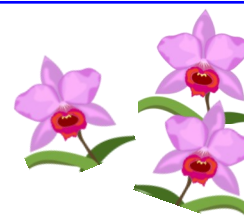
Gdp. divaricatum

Grown by Michael Willoughby and Oui Ju
was awarded an ACC/AOC
(also a cultural award)
This was the first plant of this species to be
awarded in Australia.

Congratulations to Geoff & Lucy and
Michael & Oui



**SAROC FAIR
CHAMPION SEEDLING**
Paph. sukhakulii fma. album
Grown By Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju
Photo Neil Cooper



June Results List

Ref. No.

Points Awarded

Open Division

Australian Native Epiphyte - Species

2865 Den. Wamboral 'Ginger Meggs' Geoff & Lucy Spear (5) 3

Cymbidium 60 - 90mm - Species

2871 Cym. erythraeum 'Paradise' Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

Cymbidium 60 - 90mm All colours in Non-std

2870 Cym. Peggy Sue 'Holly' Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

Cymbidium over 90mm All colours inc Non-std

2869 Cym. Cliff Duncan Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

Laeliinae - Species

2868 L. anceps Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

Laeliinae - Standard under 100mm

2866 C. Lavender Ice Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

2867 Rlc. Deception Bingo Geoff & Lucy Spear (5) 2

Oncidiinae - Species

2872 Cu. pulchella Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Hybrid

2876 Den. [Elva Ann x (Dal's Delux x Dal's Appeal)] Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

2877 Den. [Chao Praya Sweet x Garish] Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 2

2878 Drvla. Blue Boy 'Cow Hollow' AM/AOC Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 1

Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Species

2879 Liparis condylobulbon Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

Orchid Seedling - any Genera

2880 Cym. Cliff Duncan Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

2881 Paph. sukhakulii Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 2

Paphiopedilum - Non Standard

2873 Paph. (Hilo Super Green x Hsinying Bonjour) Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

2874 Paph. crossianum Geoff & Lucy Spear (5) 2

Paphiopedilum - Species

2875 Paph. sukhakulii Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

Specimen Species or Hybrid

2882 Den. Wamboral 'Ginger Meggs' Geoff & Lucy Spear (5) 3

First Division

Australian Native Epiphyte - Hybrid

2851 Den. Hilda Poxon Peter Haltis (442) 3

Cymbidium 60 - 90mm All colours in Non-std

2856 Cym. Ruby Parker 'The Moth' Adrian Bockmann (278) 3

2857 Cym. Arachnid Peter Haltis (442) 2

2858 Cym. (Firetail Eternal x Black Pepper) Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 1

Cymbidium over 90mm All colours inc Non-std

2855 Cym. That's Outrageous 'Susan' Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 3

Cymbidium under 60 All Colours inc Non-std

2859 Cym. Peggy Sue 'Five' Peter Haltis (442) 3

Laeliinae - Non Standard

2852 C. Starlin 'Sonia' Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 2

Laeliinae - Species

2853 L. anceps Peter Haltis (442) 3

2854 L. anceps Peter Haltis (442) 2

Oncidiinae - Hybrid < 60mm

2860 Gom. Moon Shadow Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 3

Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Species

2863 Coel. mooreana 'Brockhurst' Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 3

Orchid Seedling - any Genera

2864 Cym. (Firetail Eternal x Black Pepper) Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 3

Paphiopedilum - Species

2861 Paph. villosum Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 3

Zygopetalinae - Species

2862 Z. maculatum Peter Haltis (442) 3

June Results List Cont...

Ref. No.

Points Awarded

Second Division

Australian Native Epiphyte - Hybrid

2842 Den. (Cobber x Australian Cracka) Coral Tillmanns & Trevor Kenny (212) 3

Cymbidium 60 - 90mm All colours in Non-std

2846 Cym. [(Valley Angel x Melinga) x Katydid] Jim Fogarasi (150) 3

Laeliinae - Cluster

2843 Ctt. Porcia 'Cannizaro' John & Rhonda Wainwright (549) 3

Laeliinae - Non Standard

2844 Lc. Intercepts 'Cream Flash' Beth Stronach (836) 3

Laeliinae - Species

2845 Epi. ciliare Beth Stronach (836) 3

Oncidiinae - Hybrid < 60mm

2848 Oncsa. Sweet Sugar 'Million Dollar' Jim Fogarasi (150) 3

2849 Ons. Stirbic Jim Fogarasi (150) 2

Oncidiinae - Hybrid > 60mm

2847 Aliceara Unknown Craig Humfrey (268) 3

Zygopetalinae - Hybrid

2850 Z. Blackii 'Negus' Janet Adams & Gordon Ninnies (1195) 3

PLANT COMMENTARY – JUNE 2021

Orchid of Second Division and Plant of the Night

The plant chosen by the Judges was a lovely plant of *Oncsa*. Sweet Sugar 'Million Dollar' grown by Jim Fogarasi. A magnificent display of lovely yellow flowers dancing above the foliage. This was a beautiful specimen and a deserving winner.

Congratulations Jim

**Orchid of Second Division
Orchid of the Night**
Oncsa. Sweet Sugar 'Million Dollar'
Grown by Jim Fogarasi
Photos Christine Robertson



Seedling of the Night
Cym. Cliff Duncan
Grown by
Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju
Photo Christine Robertson

PLANT COMMENTARY – JUNE 2021 cont ...



Orchid of First Division

L. anceps

Grown By Peter Haltis

Photo Christine Robertson

Orchid of First Division

The Plant of First division was a very well grown plant of *L. anceps* grown by Peter Haltis. This plant was carrying numerous lovely pink flowers with a striking darker labellum. on long arching spikes, standing well above the foliage.

L. anceps has been awarded some 237 times and has been used extensively in the production of Hybrids.

Well Done Peter.

Orchid of Open Division

The plant chosen by the Judges was Den. Wamberal 'Ginger Meggs' grown by Geoff & Lucy Spear. This was a spectacular plant with many small dainty flowers on long terete leaves. We see this plant almost every year and it just seems to get better.

Well done Geoff & Lucy.



Orchid of Open Division

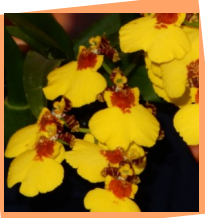
Den. Wamberal 'Ginger Meggs'

Grown by Geoff & Lucy Spear

Photos Christine Robertson

Thank you to our Judges, and Recorders for all your efforts!
Good Growing

Phil Steer
Registrar



DAYTIME CHAPTER

Thursday 10th June, 2021



Hi everyone,

The June meeting of the Daytime Chapter was very well attended, and thankfully, no electricity gremlins affected the proceedings this time!

Guest speaker, **Phil Steer**, shared his experience and passion for *Australian Native Orchids and Mounts* with the group; demonstrating that success can be had with various orchid genera. He showed that mounts themselves can be as diverse as branch offcuts from Australian native trees, cork, and even concrete bricks. He also alerted us to the dangers of handling sphagnum moss and the need for a mask to be worn during the mounting process.



Phil brought spare materials along so we could see how easy it is to do!
Patty Abell and Val Bleechmore try their hand ...



The afternoon concluded with a well-earned hot cuppa and biscuits!



Congratulations go to Coral Tillmanns on winning the Plant of the Day with her beautiful *L. anceps*.

Next Meeting : **Thursday July 8th**, 2 pm , Lou Kesting Hall, South Brighton.
Guest speaker: **Roger Herraman** speaking on 'What Orchids grow best in Adelaide'. Roger will bring plants for sale.

Andrew Dean



SOUTHERN REGION MEETING Sunday 27th June 2021

Convenor, Chris Heysen, opened the meeting at 2.00pm welcoming the 20 members and guests present..

Apologies: Andrew Craig, Doreen Smith, Anne Bourne, Dianne Cawley, Ruth Tugwell, Bev Gay and Sid James. Sid is in Hospital – our thoughts are with him.

Vale to Cliff Wegener who passed away recently. Condolences to his family and all who knew him

Special thanks to John Gay who continues to pass on his encyclopaedic knowledge to the Learners Group. .

Chris reminded members that Covid-19 rules required everyone to log their presence either by phone app or in the special attendance book in the front entrance. .

Guest Speaker: Our Convenor then took off his Convenor's hat and became our Guest speaker for the day. His presentation focussed on Phalaenopsis orchids and how he and Lyn had fallen in love with these plants more than 50 years ago in Papua New Guinea. Chris gave us some background on the genera and its growing conditions in the wild – and then how this translated into how to manage the plants in your own collection. Phalaenopsis require warmth so ideally are grown in a heated glass house – but with care they can be successfully grown in your home. Chris described how Lyn has managed her plants in various locations around the world.

Announcements:

Winter Show: - Saturday 24th July to Sunday 25th July at Aberfoyle Community Centre. The Club welcomes both volunteer helpers and plants for exhibition at this show. Details are provided elsewhere in this Newsletter.

Our own **Southern Region Show** will be held in Victor Central from Thursday 19th August to Saturday 21st August. We will require assistance to set up the display area, etc on Wednesday afternoon (18th August). Chris called for a show of hands as to who may be available to assist. The usual 6-7 people volunteered. We would like more!!

Lucky Name Badge: Don and Shirley Grieg

Door prize: Don Grieg

The raffle was held as usual and Chris thanked all the donors of raffle prizes. Two bags of Passion fruit from Dudley looked especially interesting!



Judging: was carried out by John Gay and Phil Steer. Christine Robertson undertook the data entry and card printing.



Judges Commentary: John Gay.

First Division: *Cym.* Stone Free 'Lachie' Grown by Helen Humphrys

Second Division and Plant of the Day: *Paph.* Cloud Valley grown by Marilyn Jelfs

Popular Vote: *Rlc.* Dream Trader 'Hancock' Grown by Chris & Lyn Heysen

The next meeting will be on Sunday July 18th – with guest speaker Jane Higgs talking about how to prepare your plants for showing.

The meeting closed at 3:35pm

Chris Heysen

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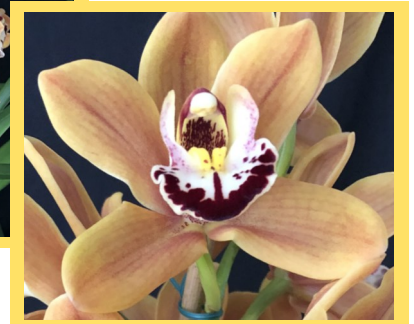


**ORCHID OF SECOND DIVISION
PLANT OF THE DAY**

***Paph.* Cloud Valley**

Grown By Marilyn Jelfs

Photo Christine Robertson



ORCHID OF FIRST DIVISION

***Cym.* Stone Free 'Lachie'**

Grown By

Helen Humphrys

Photos Christine Robertson



**POPULAR VOTE
Rlc. Dream Trader 'Hancock'**

Grown By

Chris & Lyn Heysen

Photo Christine Robertson

June Results List

Ref. No.

Points Awarded

First Division

Australian Native Epiphyte - Hybrid

2902	Den. Anne's Rainbow Surprise	Shirley & Don Greig (1128)	3
2903	Den. Hilda Poxon 'Ern'	Eileen Pinnock (519)	2
2904	Den. Graham Hewitt 'Rex'	Helen Humphrys (445)	1

Cymbidium 60 - 90mm All colours in Non-std

2909	Cym. Stone Free 'Lachie'	Helen Humphrys (445)	3
2910	Cym. Cherry Cola 'Geyserland'	Helen Humphrys (445)	2
2911	Cym. Melanie 'Golden Girl'	Helen Humphrys (445)	1

Cymbidium over 90mm All colours inc Non-std

2908	Cym. Royale Fare 'No 5'	Shirley & Don Greig (1128)	3
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Laeliinae - Cluster

2907	Ctt. Adelaide Ablaze 'Fiery Gold'	Shirley & Don Greig (1128)	3
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Laeliinae - Standard over 100mm

2905	Rlc. Dream Trader 'Hancock'	Chris and Lyn Heysen (1140)	3
2906	C. Jumbo Beat	Helen Humphrys (445)	2

Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Hybrid

2914	Phal. Unknown 'Minnamoora Pink'	Chris and Lyn Heysen (1140)	3
2915	Den. Unknown	Chris and Lyn Heysen (1140)	2

Zygopetalinae - Hybrid

2912	Npp. Adelaide Jester x Z. Artur Elle	Helen Humphrys (445)	3
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Zygopetalinae - Species

2913	Z. maculatum	Helen Humphrys (445)	3
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Australian Native Epiphyte - Hybrid

2894	Den. Gillieston Royalty	Marilyn Jelfs (590)	3
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Australian Native Epiphyte - Species

2895	Den. bigibbum	Marilyn Jelfs (590)	3
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Cymbidium over 90mm - Species

2891	Cym. Tricia Allen 'Confidence'	Marilyn Jelfs (590)	3
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Cymbidium over 90mm All colours inc Non-std

2889	Cym. Tracey Reddaway 'Marie'	Margaret & Warren Yelland (350)	3
2890	Cym. Rosefieldense	Genny & Dudley Huxtable (279)	2

Cymbidium under 60 All Colours inc Non-std

2892	Cym. Weston Ferrell	Genny & Dudley Huxtable (279)	3
2893	Cym. Morialta 'Morialta Falls'	Genny & Dudley Huxtable (279)	2

Laeliinae - Standard over 100mm

2888	Rlc. Erin Beauty	Bob Clayton (143)	3
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Oncidiinae - Hybrid > 60mm

2896	Brat. Sadie Loo x Mtdm. Christmas Eve	Margaret & Warren Yelland (350)	3
2897	Alcra. Peggy Ruth Carpenter 'Morning Joy'	Marilyn Jelfs (590)	2

Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Hybrid

2900	Phal. Unknown 'Sharee'	Genny & Dudley Huxtable (279)	3
2901	Phal. Sweet Talk	Genny & Dudley Huxtable (279)	2

Paphiopedilum - Standard

2898	Paph. Cloud Valley	Marilyn Jelfs (590)	3
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Zygopetalinae - Hybrid

2899	Z. Artur Elle 'Essendon'	Marilyn Jelfs (590)	3
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ATTENTION EXHIBITORS - PLANT NAMES

Southern Region Exhibitors need to check the names of their plants in the results list. At present there is a lot of reclassification of orchids into different genera. This month there were considerable numbers of changes made to plant names.

***Paphiopedilum sukhakulii* and ITS HYBRIDS by Alan Hope**

I doubt that Mr Prasong Sukhakul, manager of the Bangkrabue Nursery in Bangkok, could have foreseen the impact that his consignments of *Paph. callosum* plants to Northern Europe in 1964 would have on our orchid hobby. For among the many plants sent, at least two were found to differ markedly from *Paph. callosum* (and all other known *Paphiopedilum* species). They were destined to take the orchid world by storm!

The story of the introduction of this new *Paphiopedilum* species is just as intriguing as many of the earliest *Paphiopedilum* discoveries, because it involved a search for a new *Paphiopedilum* species in Northern Europe, of all places! In 1964 two orchid enthusiasts from Soligen in West Germany were examining some newly arrived *Paph. callosum* plants at a local plant nursery. They noticed a plant with different leaf markings from the typical *Paph. callosum* and purchased it. Upon flowering the plant they realised it was probably a new species, sparking a painstaking search for others among the rest of the consignment. Eventually they found a second plant in a Belgian florist's shop.

Two German botanists, Drs. Schoser and Senghas, were called on to examine the new plants. They concluded that these plants were sufficiently different from currently known species, such as *Paph. wardii*, *Paph. callosum* and *Paph. barbatum*, to warrant the granting of separate species status. The new species, *Paph. sukhakulii*, was described in 1965 and named in honour of Mr Sukhakul.



Paphiopedilum sukhakulii

Paph. sukhakulii is found in the Province of Loei in north-east Thailand, the initial discoveries being in the foothills of Mt. Phu Luang at altitudes up to 1000 m. At lower elevations it grows in the same areas as *Paph. callosum*, hence the accidental inclusion of some *Paph. sukhakulii* plants in the *Paph. callosum* consignments.



***Paph. sukhakulii* 'Thupten'
HCC/OSCOV**

The natural habitat of *Paph. sukhakulii* is reported to be the upper riverine slopes in hilly country, growing in pockets of sandy, humus-rich loam and shaded by tall forest trees. The climate of this area in northeast Thailand is subject to a wet summer monsoon and a drier, cooler winter period with temperatures falling to 6-7° C at times. These details provide useful pointers to its successful cultivation, indicating the need for a free-draining mix, intermediate temperatures, reduced watering in winter and extra shading during the summer months.

Paph. sukhakulii is a showy species displaying attractive mottled leaves of light and dark green and a single flower on a tall scape. It flowers from late autumn to mid-spring in Melbourne and frequently has more than one flower scape due to its multi-

growth habit. The impressive flower has wide, flat petals held horizontally, these being heavily spotted or speckled purplish-brown. The upright dorsal sepal, with its creamy white background and green stripes, is balanced by a large and somewhat pointed pouch, which is reddish brown above, fading to light green below.

Since the initial discovery some new varieties and forms of *Paph. sukhakulii* have been introduced, including variety 'aureum', which is pale cream to yellow in colour, and some albinistic forms with paler colours than normal.

It is little wonder that *Paph. sukhakulii* became an instant hit both in its own right as a species and as a prospective parent. The first hybrid (with *Paph. barbatum*) was registered in 1970 as *Paph. New Era*. This was indeed a 'new era', being the forerunner of many successful crosses involving *Paph. sukhakulii* or its offspring. By 1997 there were 130 hybrids registered with *Paph. sukhakulii* as one of the parents. This number has since expanded to around 150 and, together with the many hybrids that have *Paph. sukhakulii* in their background, makes an impressive family tree.



***Paph. sukhakulii*
'Castle Creek'
AM/OSCOV**

An interesting feature of the primary hybrids of *Paph. sukhakulii* (i.e. those produced by breeding with another *Paphiopedilum* species) is that most produce attractive and/or interesting offspring. Some of the more notable crossings are *Paph. Papa Rohl* (with *Paph. fairrieanum*), *Paph. Colorkulii* (with *Paph. concolor*), *Paph. Evelyn Rollke* (with *Paph. bellatulum*), *Paph. Nivarose* (with *Paph. niveum*), *Paph. Double Deception* (with *Paph. venustum*) and *Paph. lantha Stage* (with *Paph. rothschildianum*).



Paph. Papa Rohl



Paph. Colorkulii



Paph. Evelyn Rollke



Paph. Double Deception



Paph. lantha Stage



In fact *Paph. sukhakulii* has now been crossed with most of the known species, one of the most recent registrations (with *Paph. lowii*) occurring in 2001. One can also expect some of the *Paphiopedilum* species recently discovered in China and Vietnam to become partners of *Paph. sukhakulii* in the next few years.

Paph. lantha Stage is one of my favourite primary hybrids, as it displays the very best characteristics of each parent. The large flower size and bold striping on a yellow background of *Paph. rothschildianum* works perfectly with the broad petals and dominant spotting of *Paph. sukhakulii*. In addition, this impressive and wonderful hybrid is multi-flowering and a strong grower.

Paph. sukhakulii has also been successfully bred with a number of existing hybrids. *Paph. Makuli*, (*Paph. sukhakulii* x *Paph. Maudiae*), registered in 1974, is a successful hybrid that still wins on the show bench. *Paph. Sacred Dancer*, *Paph. Supersuk*, *Paph. Macabre* and *Paph. Masupi* are other fine examples of this line of breeding that conserve the strong horizontal petals and eye-catching spotting of *Paph. sukhakulii*. In recent years we have also seen the success at major shows of hybrids with *Paph. Raisin Pie* (*Paph. sukhakulii* x *Paph. Clarissa*) in their breeding.

Crossings of *Paph. sukhakulii* with complex hybrids, including exhibition types, are also popular. Some recent registrations include *Paph. Murikuihi* (with *Paph. Murial Constance*), *Paph. Kingston Park* (with *Paph. Diana Broughton*), *Paph. Outer Limits* (with *Paph. Magic Mountain*) and *Paph. Brecho Vistasuk* (with *Paph. Vista Wish*).



Paph. Raisin Pie 'Castle Creek'
HCC/OSCOV



Paph. lantha Stage 'Gowrie'
HCC/OSCOV

UNUSUAL PLANT OF MONTH - *Liparis condylobulbon*

Liparis condylobulbon is found on mossy tree branches at elevations from sea level to 1600m in Myanmar through SE Asia, Solomons, Australia, New Caledonia, Fiji, Samoa and Vanuatu.

High humidity, good ventilation, scattered dappled sun and open epiphytic mix are required for proper growth.

Small to medium sized epiphyte or lithophyte with narrowly flask shaped pseudobulbs carrying 1 or 2 lanceolate, thin textured leaves and flowers on an arching 10-25cm racemose, densely many flowered (50) inflorescence emerging from a narrowly triangular green bract.

This orchid has not been used in hybridizing. It has been awarded 18 times in USA, Australia, South Africa, Queensland, and New South Wales, mostly cultural awards, although twice with an AM.





Orchid Culture Notes for July

As cold and wet as July can be there is plenty happening in the orchid house. With Spring only a mere few weeks away our plants will soon be picking up the gradual lengthening of days and will soon initiate the beginnings of a new season. How short is a year of orchid growing?

Protection of your plants still remains a priority this month. With many plants in spike or in the process of initiating spikes we must ensure we keep up the protection from the elements, pests and diseases. It is definitely a time also to observe your collection, identify any problems occurring and act now, not later, when it is too late.

Both the middle of Summer and the middle of Winter are the times of the year where the stresses of our climate show up the most in our collections. This time of year it is the effects of being cold and wet that wreaks havoc. Root loss is common, yet the effects may not show up for some time and usually when it does in some cases can be too late. Fungal spots become evident, leaves yellow and drop off and watery patches creeping up the leaf are signs all is not well. Bulb rot is usually quite severe this time of year. Plants from climates where the Winters are dry will suffer the most. A plant will survive cold temperatures if kept on the drier side but the same cannot be said if they remain wet.

Many problems in the collection can be reduced or eliminated with good culture and a diary. We all know that pests and diseases generally attack weakened plants first. If these pests and diseases are prevalent take a good look at your collection and your environments, both in and around the orchid house. Common problems are poor culture and lack of protection, the wrong plants growing in the wrong spot, insufficient light, overcrowding, too much shade, poorly drained mediums, over wetness and dryness and so on. All of this weakens your plants and makes them more susceptible to pests and diseases. Don't be afraid to get someone in and look at your collection if you have some problems. Many a time a fresh set of eyes will soon point out something you can't see.

In the shade house July will see the peak flowering of the Oncidium complex and even now new growth can be seen forming at the bases of last year's made up bulb. After flowering most of these do need a rest where watering is reduced for a while and feeding stops. Don't dry out fully though. Many bulbs will shrivel after flowering and drop a leaf or two. Roots will also seal off. This is normal with some Oncidiums so don't panic. Inexperienced growers usually reach for the hose, thinking the plant is thirsty and end up wiping out the root system so the poor old orchids ends up putting all energies in re-establishing a root system. There are also plenty of Oncidium intergenerics around that are worth a go and some of these can be out in flower nearly any month of the year. They certainly give you an extension to your growing season, a bit like what the hot/ cold natives give to the normal native epiphyte flowering season. A few examples of some of the easier ones are the Colmanaras and Beallaras, Wilsonaras and the Burragearas. They are easy to flower and grow in our climate but do better with cover this time of year.

Zygopetalums are still flowering on and off. Keep these evenly moist and feed every fortnight at half strength. Whilst Winter slows them their metabolism does not stop completely. Just like a cymbidium, most Zygopetalums are always doing something whether its flowering, developing and maturing new growth or initiating new growth. As Zygopetalums flower off new growths the accent to feeding these would be something a bit more nitrogen to build up that new growth after the stresses of flowering. Try and spray with fungicide every 2 months or so if spotting on the leaves is severe. Try some of the newer breeding and intergenerics as they appear to be less likely to spot. For example the Zygonerias are producing nice clean compact plants. There is not much in the way of pests with Zygopetalums until Spring when the looper caterpillar parade kicks in. Keep slug /snail pellets in and around the Zygopetalum pots, especially those in spike. Big fat Zygopetalum spikes are high on the slugs menu tonight.



We start seeing more of the standard Paphiopedilums on the show bench from now on. These also need protection over winter, especially those in spike. Slugs will soon make a meal out of a spike. Even a slight chomp will severely hamper the flower development and most likely cause the spike to break under the weight of the flower. Keep water, snail pellets and fertiliser out of the axils as these will encourage rot and considering you usually only get one flower per growth it is a long wait till next year to see your plant flower. Keep moist, fertilise fortnightly at weak concentrations and don't forget to flush the plants pots occasionally with rainwater to wash out the salts. It is a pity we don't see as many of the standards as yesteryear as more growers lean towards the novelty and multi floral type. For those wanting to branch out into Paphiopedilums see if you can grab a piece of *Paphiopedilum insigne*. These are a great beginner's Paphiopedilum to start with.

Flowering of the Laeliniiae complex has thinned out and it is usually the species *L.anceps* and the very showy long stemmed variety chamberlains most often seen at this time of year. These are easy to grow and the flowers last a long time and don't the slugs love them. Keep them moist as well. In nature they are often wet and very cold at night and handle our winters well but the delicate flowers must be protected otherwise they spot badly. After flowering they send out another lot of new roots as well so the plant can replace its reserves ahead of the new growing season. I feed with a balanced feed of Miracle Grow and Powerfeed, and if not the Powerfeed then use some Seasol to aid the root development. They grow in plain medium bark and they do well as a hanging plant. I have tried coco peat as an additive and that will be the first and last time! The roots I have found with my culture do not like it with the roots aborting the moment they touch it. This is one of the most important aspects to growing and it is called observation. The coco peat has been washed thoroughly and I have mostly watered with rainwater and these plants were rarely fed after division last Spring so it is not salt that is causing the problem. Regardless if I leave them any longer I might as well bin them now. Autumn flowering plants are relatively dormant now but the Spring flowering ones are growing well with new roots and maturing growths. Needless to say these plants are grown in a warmer protected environment. For the newer growers it is best to stick with those Cattleyas and related genera that flower in the late Summer to early Winter. Their growth period is over our Spring and Summer and their dormant period is over Winter. As long as they are kept on the drier side with some cover they handle Winters well.

Now is the time Cymbidiums that flower in Spring will soon break sheath and this is the most important time for them. Not only do we need protection from slugs and snails and the rain that will mark our buds we also need to look at how we are going to train them. Whether we are aiming for a straight, decorative or pendulous habit now is the time we start to train them. If you have a new Cymbidium to your collection and you are not sure about the habit of that particular clone or species, ask around. Trying to stake a Cymbidium against its habit will only lead to heartache and a funny looking spike. Another area where the newer grower's fail to some extent is managing the colours. It is not that important yet as they break sheath but a bit later on as they lengthen the correct light or lack of will have a huge bearing on the flowers and the colour. We will have more on this later. Feeding your Cymbidiums now switches to something with a little more nitrogen in it as you should start seeing new growths initiating.

Native epiphytes also break sheath now and also need cover, a slug baiting programme and watch out for aphids as they home in on the new buds. If possible get them under cover even before they break sheath for best results. Terrestrial orchids will start flowering in greater numbers now. Keep these moist too but avoid over wetness as they are prone to damping off, especially in poorly drained mixes. For those growing the South African terrestrial species *Stenoglottis* cut off the flowering spikes now, even if they are in flower to force a short but beneficial rest. Remove rotting leaves and dry out slightly. Avoid disturbing these plants to ensure better flowering.

Weeds are usually a problem over Winter so make sure you remove them before they flower or get too established in the pot. Their fine roots will break down mixes more rapidly and reduce the all important drainage. Oxalis is a real pest in this regard, especially if left to grow a taproot that is very hard to pull out. That sees out July. In general like June, this is a protection month with more emphasis on protection than anything else as many more plants begin their flowering season. Next month is August and before months end the first warmish days that remind us that Spring is just around the corner.

Steve Howard

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

THE SOUTH COAST ORCHID CLUB OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA: Whilst COVID restrictions are in place the Club meets on the Second Monday of the month at RSL Hall, 4 Prince George Parade, Colonel Light Gardens. 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 REGION: 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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