



THE SOUTH COAST ORCHID CLUB OF SA INC.

# Gazette

August 2023

Patron: Coralie Hills FAOC  
President: Michael Willoughby

## AT A GLANCE

The next General Meeting of the South Coast Orchid Club of South Australia will be held on Monday 14th August 2023 at 8.00 pm. at RSL Hall, 4 Prince George Parade, Colonel Light Gardens. Our Guest Speaker will be James Argent speaking on Preparing Plants for Showing especially Cattleyas.

**LEARNERS' GROUP:** There will be a Learners' Group Meeting at the August 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 on Thursday 10th August 2023 at 2.00 pm. Our Guest Speakers will be Chris and Lynn Heysen speaking on *Phalaenopsis*

**SOUTHERN REGION:** The next meeting will be held at 2.00 pm on Sunday 20th August 2023 in Carrickalinga House, 17-19 Torrens Street, Victor Harbor. Our Guest Speaker will be Jane Higgs who will be talking about how to set up a show display

**NEUTROG ONLINE SHOP:** Neutrog Australia will be sending out information on the Members On-line Shop in the next short while. The discounts on their products are quite substantial.

**NEW MEMBERS:** The Club welcomes Michael Holmes and Simon Grenfell as new members. We hope your time with the Club will be a rewarding one.

**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.

**Do not forget the new Post Office Box address for the Club:  
PO Box 1060 Flagstaff Hill SA 5159**

**DEADLINES FOR NEXT GAZETTES  
27 August and 24 September**

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## **YOUR COMMITTEE FOR 2023**

|                                      |                            |                     |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|
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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    |
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| 1981 Lois Hanson*   | 2005 Shirley Steele *          | 2015 Rod McRedmond       |
| 1981 John Leeder*   | Circa Tony and Toshy Deonnio * | 2018 Kevin Western       |
| 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      |                          |

### **SUBSCRIPTIONS:**

Subscriptions for 2023 are now due. There will be no increase in subscriptions for 2023. We do value your membership and seeing you at meetings each month.

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

|                          |                |
|--------------------------|----------------|
| <b>Family Membership</b> | <b>\$38.00</b> |
| <b>Single Membership</b> | <b>\$30.00</b> |
| <b>Junior Membership</b> | <b>\$22.00</b> |

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## President's Message

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 Display that came together in rather quick time. Congratulations to those involved on a wonderful display.

Congratulations to Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju for their Grand Champion plant *Dendrobium teretifolium* 'Grande', a magnificent specimen. This was also Champion of Open Division. Congratulations are in order for Anne & Phil Steer for Champion of First Division with *Den. Avril's Gold* 'Jilly' and Coral Tillmanns Champion of Second Division with *Z. Memoria Jimmy Lyttle* x *Kiwi Lyttle*. More results for the Winter Show will appear later in our Gazette.

This month we welcome James Argent to the Club Main Meeting to share his knowledge on preparing plants for Shows and Cattleya dividing and care.

The Daytime Chapter this month will be treated to a Phalaenopsis presentation by Chris & Lyn Heyesen from the Southern Region Group and the Southern Region Group will hear from Jane Higgs discussing setting up a display.

The Southern Region Show is being held at the Victor Central Shopping Centre 274 Torrens Street Victor Harbor (Victor Central Shopping Centre) from the 24th to 25th August this year (put in on the 23<sup>rd</sup>) 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.

Neutrog Australia will be contacting members about their Member Online Shop in the near future. The discounts on their products are quite substantial and amazing.

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, CRAIG DICKER,  
CORALIE HIME, ELSIE CLIFFORD,  
VERONICA WALSH, LYNN HEYSEN,  
MICHAEL HOLMES**



Is your name in the Birthday Book ?? See Anne Steer





## **ORCHID CALENDAR 2023**

### **COMMITTEE MEETING**

Wednesday 9th August 7.30 pm  
The Southern, South Road, St. Marys.

### **DAYTIME CHAPTER**

Thursday 10th August 2023 2.00 pm  
Lou Kesting Hall , Dover Square, Brighton South  
Guest Speaker: Chris and Lynn Heysen speaking on *Phalaenopsis*

### **MAIN MEETING**

Monday 14h August 2023 8.00 pm  
RSL Hall, 4 Prince George Parade, Colonel Light Gardens  
Guest Speaker: James Argent speaking on Preparing plants for Showing especially Cattleyas.

### **SOUTHERN REGION MEETING**

Sunday 20th August 2023 2.00 pm  
Carrickalinga House, Victor Harbor  
Guest Speaker: Jane Higgs\_who\_ will be talking about how to set up a show display

### **SOUTHERN REGION SHOW**

Wednesday 23rd August to Friday 25th August 2023  
Victor Central Shopping Centre

### **SPRING SHOW**

Friday 22nd September to Sunday 24th September 2023  
Marion Warradale Uniting Church Hall , Township Road, Marion



WINTER SHOW DISPLAY





## 2023 WINTER SHOW CHAMPIONS

### GRAND CHAMPION CHAMPION OPEN DIVISION

Den. teretifolium 'Grande'

### CHAMPION AUSTRALIAN NATIVE CHAMPION SPECIES

Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)

### CHAMPION FIRST DIVISION

Den. Avril's Gold 'Jilly'

Phil & Anne Steer (514)

### CHAMPION SECOND DIVISION

Z. (Memoria Jimmy Lyttle x Kiwi Lyttle)

Coral Tillmanns (212)

### CHAMPION CYMBIDIUM 60—90 mm

Cym. Aracnid 'Seaview'

Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)

### CHAMPION CYMBIDIUM Over 90 mm

Cym. Disney Girl 'Rosalie'

Jane & Don Higgs (1302)

### CHAMPION CYMBIDIUM Under 60 mm

Cym. Jacinta's Pride 'Jemima'

Bill Jayne (1180)

### CHAMPION LAELIINAE

C. Aloha Case 'Ching Hua'

Laurie & Sue Carter (1303)

### CHAMPION OTHER GENERA not otherwise listed

Masd. (Red Flamingo x Stripendous)

Geoff Richardson (190)

### CHAMPION ONCIDIINAE

Onc. Space Mine 'Red Rendevous'

Laurie & Sue Carter (1303)

### CHAMPION PAPHIOPEDILUM

Paph. Fanaticum 'Mouliache'

Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)

### CHAMPION ZYGOPETALUM

Npp. Beverley Lou 'Sammy'

Jane & Don Higgs (1302)

### CHAMPION SEEDLING

Den. (Candice x Aussie Victory)

Phil & Anne Steer (514)

### CHAMPION SPECIMEN

Den. Cassiope

Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)

**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF OUR CHAMPION WINNERS**



## WINTER SHOW Placings Results List

### OPEN DIVISION

#### Australian Native epiphyte - Species

|                            |                                    |   |
|----------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Den. teretifolium 'Grande' | Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) | 3 |
| Den. beckerii              | Ron & Irene Parish (477)           | 2 |

#### Australian Native epiphyte - Hybrid

|                                    |                                    |   |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Den. Saigon Victory 'Springers 13' | Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) | 3 |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|

#### Australian Native terrestrial - Species

|              |                                    |   |
|--------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Ptst. nutans | Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) | 3 |
|--------------|------------------------------------|---|

#### Australian Native - Specimen

|                            |                                    |   |
|----------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Den. teretifolium 'Grande' | Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) | 3 |
|----------------------------|------------------------------------|---|

#### BEST AUSTRALIAN NATIVE

|                   |                                    |   |
|-------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Den. teretifolium | Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) | 3 |
|-------------------|------------------------------------|---|

#### Cymbidium over 90mm - Brown/Any

|                            |                                    |   |
|----------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Cym. Disney Girl 'Rosalie' | Jane & Don Higgs (1302)            | 3 |
| Cym. tracyanum 'Tamborine' | Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) | 2 |

#### Cymbidium over 90mm - Specimen

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

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

|                                      |                                    |   |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Cym. Arachnid 'Seaview'              | Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) | 3 |
| Cym. (Dolly x Solana Beach) 'Chased' | Vicky & Neil Cooper (1119)         | 2 |

#### Cymbidium 60 - 90mm - Seedling

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

#### BEST CYMBIDIUM - 60 to 90mm

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

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

|                        |                                    |   |
|------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Cym. Elegant Elf 'Nan' | Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) | 3 |
| Cym. Osborn            | Jane & Don Higgs (1302)            | 2 |

#### Dendrobium (not Aust Native) -

|               |                                    |   |
|---------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Den. Cassiope | Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) | 3 |
|---------------|------------------------------------|---|

#### Dendrobium (not Aust Native) -

|               |                                    |   |
|---------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Den. Cassiope | Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) | 3 |
|---------------|------------------------------------|---|

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

|               |                                    |   |
|---------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Den. Cassiope | Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) | 3 |
|---------------|------------------------------------|---|

#### Laeliinae - species

|                          |                                    |   |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Arpo. spicatum           | Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) | 3 |
| C. percivaliana 'Summit' | Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) | 2 |

#### BEST LAELIINAE

|                |                         |   |
|----------------|-------------------------|---|
| Arpo. spicatum | Jane & Don Higgs (1302) | 3 |
|----------------|-------------------------|---|

#### Oncidiinae Hybrid >60mm

|                     |                                    |   |
|---------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Ons. Margarete Holm | Ron & Irene Parish (477)           | 3 |
| Brat. Aztec 'Toni'  | Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) | 2 |

#### BEST ONCIDIINAE

|                    |                          |   |
|--------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Ons. Margaret Holm | Ron & Irene Parish (477) | 3 |
|--------------------|--------------------------|---|

#### Paphiopedilum - Species

|                              |                                    |   |
|------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Paph. villosum 'Orchidhaven' | Jane & Don Higgs (1302)            | 3 |
| Paph. villosum               | Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) | 2 |

#### Paphiopedilum -Nonstandard

|                             |                                    |   |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Paph. Fanaticum 'Mouliache' | Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) | 3 |
| Paph. Vanguard              | Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) | 2 |

#### Paphiopedilum - Seedling

|                |                                    |   |
|----------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Paph. Vanguard | Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) | 3 |
|----------------|------------------------------------|---|

#### Paphiopedilum - Specimen

|                              |                         |   |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Paph. villosum 'Orchidhaven' | Jane & Don Higgs (1302) | 3 |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|---|

#### BEST PAPHIOPEDILUM

|                             |                                    |   |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Paph. Fanaticum 'Mouliache' | Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) | 3 |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|---|

#### Zygopetalinae - intergeneric

|                           |                         |   |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Npp. Beverley Lou 'Sammy' | Jane & Don Higgs (1302) | 3 |
| Npp. Beverley Lou 'Sammy' | Jane & Don Higgs (1302) | 3 |

#### Any other genus - Species

|                  |                         |   |
|------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Sngl. longifolia | Jane & Don Higgs (1302) | 3 |
| Ptst. repandum   | Jane & Don Higgs (1302) | 2 |

#### Any other genus - Specimen

|                  |                         |   |
|------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Sngl. longifolia | Jane & Don Higgs (1302) | 3 |
| Ptst. repandum   | Jane & Don Higgs (1302) | 2 |

#### BEST Any other genus

|                  |                         |   |
|------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Sngl. longifolia | Jane & Don Higgs (1302) | 3 |
|------------------|-------------------------|---|



## FIRST DIVISION

### Australian Native epiphyte - Hybrid

|                                |                           |   |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Den. Avril's Gold 'Jilly'      | Phil and Anne Steer (514) | 3 |
| Den. Aussie Victory 'Hillview' | Phil and Anne Steer (514) | 2 |

### Australian Native - Seedling

|                                 |                           |   |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Den. (Candice x Aussie Victory) | Phil and Anne Steer (514) | 3 |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|---|

### BEST AUSTRALIAN NATIVE

|                           |                           |   |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Den. Avril's Gold 'Jilly' | Phil and Anne Steer (514) | 3 |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|---|

### Cymbidium over 90mm - Brown/Any

|                            |                    |   |
|----------------------------|--------------------|---|
| Cym. tracyanum 'Tamborine' | Peter Haltis (442) | 3 |
|----------------------------|--------------------|---|

### BEST CYMBIDIUM - over 90mm

|                            |                    |   |
|----------------------------|--------------------|---|
| Cym. tracyanum 'Tamborine' | Peter Haltis (442) | 3 |
|----------------------------|--------------------|---|

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

|                                      |                    |   |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|---|
| Cym. Ruby Valley 'Box of Chocolates' | Peter Haltis (442) | 3 |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|---|

|                  |                              |   |
|------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Cym. Lunar Blaze | Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) | 2 |
|------------------|------------------------------|---|

### Cymbidium under 60mm - Brown/Any

|                               |                   |   |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|---|
| Cym. Jacinta's Pride 'Jemima' | Bill Jayne (1180) | 3 |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|---|

|                         |                    |   |
|-------------------------|--------------------|---|
| Cym. Thumbs Up 'Tamera' | Peter Haltis (442) | 2 |
|-------------------------|--------------------|---|

### Laeliinae Standard Hybrid over 100mm

|                           |                              |   |
|---------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| C. Aloha Case 'Ching Hua' | Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) | 3 |
|---------------------------|------------------------------|---|

|                           |                              |   |
|---------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| C. Aloha Case 'Ching Hua' | Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) | 3 |
|---------------------------|------------------------------|---|

### Oncidiinae Hybrid >60mm

|                              |                           |   |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Brstdm. Spiderman 'Teflon 2' | Phil and Anne Steer (514) | 3 |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|---|

|                              |                           |   |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Brstdm. Spiderman 'Teflon 2' | Phil and Anne Steer (514) | 2 |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|---|

### Oncidiinae Hybrid <60mm

|                                  |                              |   |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Onc. Space Mine 'Red Rendezvous' | Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) | 3 |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|

|                              |                              |   |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Gom. Moonshadow 'Tiger Tail' | Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) | 2 |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|---|

### BEST ONCIDIINAE

|                                  |                              |   |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Onc. Space Mine 'Red Rendezvous' | Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) | 3 |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|

### Paphiopedilum - Species

|                |                       |   |
|----------------|-----------------------|---|
| Paph. villosum | Trevor Stutley (1139) | 3 |
|----------------|-----------------------|---|

|                   |                       |   |
|-------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Paph. gratixianum | Trevor Stutley (1139) | 2 |
|-------------------|-----------------------|---|

### Paphiopedilum - Standard

|                                       |                       |   |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Paph. (In-Charms Gold x Hamana Curet) | Trevor Stutley (1139) | 3 |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|---|

### Paphiopedilum -Nonstandard

|                |                              |   |
|----------------|------------------------------|---|
| Paph. Leeannum | Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) | 3 |
|----------------|------------------------------|---|

### Paphiopedilum - Seedling

|                |                       |   |
|----------------|-----------------------|---|
| Paph. villosum | Trevor Stutley (1139) | 3 |
|----------------|-----------------------|---|

### BEST PAPHIOPEDILUM

|                |                       |   |
|----------------|-----------------------|---|
| Paph. villosum | Trevor Stutley (1139) | 3 |
|----------------|-----------------------|---|

### Zygopetalum - Hybrid

|                            |                   |   |
|----------------------------|-------------------|---|
| Z. B. G. White 'Abbeville' | Bill Jayne (1180) | 3 |
|----------------------------|-------------------|---|

### Zygopetalinae - intergeneric

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

### BEST ZYGOPETALUM

|                            |                   |   |
|----------------------------|-------------------|---|
| Z. B. G. White 'Abbeville' | Bill Jayne (1180) | 3 |
|----------------------------|-------------------|---|

## SECOND DIVISION

### Australian Native epiphyte - Hybrid

|                              |                          |   |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Den. Anne's Rainbow Surprise | Josephine Ogrowsky (394) | 3 |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|---|

|                               |                                    |   |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Den. (Edda Lloyd x speciosum) | Janet Adams & Gordon Ninnes (1195) | 2 |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|

### BEST AUSTRALIAN NATIVE

|                             |                          |   |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Den. Annes Rainbow Surprise | Josephine Ogrowsky (394) | 3 |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|---|

### Cymbidium over 90mm - Brown/Any

|                    |                       |   |
|--------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Cym. Rosefieldense | Coral Tillmanns (212) | 3 |
|--------------------|-----------------------|---|

|                    |                       |   |
|--------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Cym. Rosefieldense | Coral Tillmanns (212) | 2 |
|--------------------|-----------------------|---|

### BEST CYMBIDIUM - over 90mm

|                    |                       |   |
|--------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Cym. Rosefieldense | Coral Tillmanns (212) | 3 |
|--------------------|-----------------------|---|

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

|                                   |                               |   |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| Cym. Margaret Thatcher 'Diplomat' | Graham & Jeanette Smith (217) | 3 |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|

|                     |                               |   |
|---------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| Cym. Marilyn Thomas | Graham & Jeanette Smith (217) | 2 |
|---------------------|-------------------------------|---|

### Cymbidium under 60mm - Brown/Any

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

### Laeliinae Cluster

|                                  |                       |   |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Ctt. Adelaide Abalaze 'Beverley' | Coral Tillmanns (212) | 3 |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|---|

### BEST LAELIINAE

|                                 |                       |   |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Ctt. Adelaide Ablaze 'Beverley' | Coral Tillmanns (212) | 3 |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|---|

### Paphiopedilum - Species

|                 |                        |   |
|-----------------|------------------------|---|
| Paph. liemianum | Geoff Richardson (190) | 3 |
|-----------------|------------------------|---|

|                   |                        |   |
|-------------------|------------------------|---|
| Paph. spicerianum | Geoff Richardson (190) | 2 |
|-------------------|------------------------|---|

### BEST PAPHIOPEDILUM

|                 |                        |   |
|-----------------|------------------------|---|
| Paph. liemianum | Geoff Richardson (190) | 3 |
|-----------------|------------------------|---|




**Vandaceous - Species**

Z. maculatum 'JB'

Jeanette Beck (226)

2

**Zygopetalum - Species**

Z. maculatum 'BB'

Jeanette Beck (226)

3

**Zygopetalum - Hybrid**

Z. (Memoria Jimmy Lyttle x Kiwi Lyttle)

Coral Tillmanns (212)

3

Z. (Artur Elle x intermedium)

Janet Adams & Gordon Ninnes (1195)

2

**Zygopetalum - Specimen**

Z. maculatum 'BB'

Jeanette Beck (226)

3

**BEST Zygopetalum**

Z. (Memoria Jimmy Lyttle x Kiwi Lyttle)

Coral Tillmanns (212)

3

**Any other genus - Hybrid**

Masd. Red Flamingo x Stripendous

Geoff Richardson (190)

3

Masd. Copper Wing x Midas Touch

Geoff Richardson (190)

2

**BEST Any other genus**

Masd. Red Flamingo x Stripendous

Geoff Richardson (190)

3

## WINTER SHOW CHAMPION ORCHIDS



**GRAND CHAMPION, CHAMPION SPECIES,  
CHAMPION OPEN DIVISION,  
CHAMPION AUSTRALIAN NATIVE**

***Den. teretifolium* 'Grande'**

**Grown By**

**Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju**

All Winter Show Photos by  
Neil Cooper



## WINTER SHOW CHAMPION ORCHIDS cont ...



**CHAMPION ONCIDIINAE**  
*Onc. Space Mine 'Red Rendezvous'*  
 Grown By  
 Laurie & Sue Carter

All Winter Show Photos by  
 Neil Cooper

**CHAMPION FIRST DIVISION**  
*Den. Avril's Gold 'Jilly'*  
 Grown By Phil & Anne Steer



**CHAMPION CYMBIDIUM 60– 90mm**  
*Cym. Arachid 'Seaview'*  
 Grown by  
 Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju





## WINTER SHOW CHAMPION ORCHIDS cont ...



**CHAMPION LAELIINAE**  
**C. Aloha Case 'Ching Hua'**  
 Grown by Laurie & Sue Carter



**CHAMPION CYMBIDIUM Under 60mm**  
**Cym. Jacinta's Pride 'Jemima'**  
 Grown by Bill Jayne



**CHAMPION OTHER GENERA**  
**Masd. (Red Flamingo x**  
**Stripendous)**  
 Grown By  
 Geoff Richardson



**CHAMPION CYMBIDIUM**  
**Over 90mm**  
**Cym. Disney Girl 'Rosalie'**  
 Grown by  
 Jane & Don Higgs



**CHAMPION ZYGOPETALUM**  
**Npp. Beverley Lou 'Sammy'**  
 Grown By Jane & Don Higgs



**CHAMPION SEEDLING**  
**Den. (Candice x Aussie Victory)**  
 Grown By  
 Phil & Anne Steer

All Winter Show Photos by  
 Neil Cooper



# July Results List

Ref. No.

## Open Division

### Australian Native Terrestrial - Species

612 Ptst. sanguinea Jane & Don Higgs (1302) 3

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

615 Cym. Jessie Blaze Vicky & Neil Cooper (1119) 3

### Laeliinae - Cluster

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

614 C. Siam Jade Vicky & Neil Cooper (1119) 2

### Oncidiinae - Hybrid > 60mm

616 Brat. Aztec 'Toni' Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

### Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Hybrid

620 Den. (Unknown x Aprichart Rainbow) Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

### Orchid Seedling - any Genera

621 Paph. Vanguard Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

### Paphiopedilum - Non Standard

617 Paph. Vanguard Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

### Paphiopedilum - Species

618 Paph. insigne Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

### Zygopetalinae - Hybrid

619 Zba. Kwi 'Ripa' Ron & Irene Parish (477) 3

## First Division

### Australian Native Epiphyte - Hybrid

597 Den. (Australia x Hilda Poxon) Peter Haltis (442) 3

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

600 Cym. Ruby Valley 'Box of Chocolates' Peter Haltis (442) 3

### Cymbidium over 90mm - Species

599 Cym. tracyanum 'Tambourine' Peter Haltis (442) 3

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

601 Cym. Ba Trieu Peter Haltis (442) 3

602 Cym. (Jocelyn Brooke x Dolly) Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 2

603 Cym. Thumbs Up 'Tamera' Peter Haltis (442) 1

### Laeliinae - Standard over 100mm

598 C. Aloha Case 'Ching Hua' Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 3

### Oncidiinae - Hybrid < 60mm

604 Onc. Space Mine 'Red Rendezvous' Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 3

605 Milt. Unknown Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 2

606 Onc. Tsiku Marguerite 'HOP' Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 1

### Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Species

608 Sngl. longifolia Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 3

### Orchid Seedling - any Genera

609 Cym. (Jocelyn Brooke x Dolly) Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 3

610 Den. (Australia x Hilda Poxon) Peter Haltis (442) 2

### Paphiopedilum - Non Standard

607 Paph. Leeannum Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 3

### Specimen Species or Hybrid

611 Cym. Ba Trieu Peter Haltis (442) 3

## Second Division

### Australian Native Epiphyte - Hybrid

583 Den. (Edda Lloyd x speciosum) Janet Adams & Gordon Ninnes (1195) 3

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

585 Cym. Marilyn Thomas Graham & Janette Smith (217) 3

### Cymbidium over 90mm All colours inc Non-std

584 Cym. Rosefieldense Coral Tillmanns (212) 3

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

586 Cym. Gowling's Gem 'Snow Queen' Graham & Janette Smith (217) 3

### Oncidiinae - Species

593 Ros. grande Jim Fogarasi (150) 3

### Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Hybrid

589 Masd. (Sun Dancer x John Tomachke) Geoff Richardson (190) 3

### Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Species

590 Masd. decumana Geoff Richardson (190) 3

### Orchid Seedling - any Genera

591 Paph. liemianum Geoff Richardson (190) 3

592 Paph. spicerianum Geoff Richardson (190) 2

### Paphiopedilum - Species

594 Paph. liemianum Geoff Richardson (190) 3

595 Paph. spicerianum Geoff Richardson (190) 2

596 Paph. gratixianum Geoff Richardson (190) 1

### Zygopetalinae - Hybrid

587 Z. (Jimmy Lytle x Kiwi Lytle) Coral Tillmanns (212) 3

588 Z. (Artur Elle x maculatum) Janet Adams & Gordon Ninnes (1195) 2



## PLANT COMMENTARY

There were two Judging Panels at the July monthly meeting. They were Don Higgs and Peter Haltis who judged Open Division and Jane Higgs and John Harris who judged Second and First Divisions. Don Higgs, John Harris and Jane Higgs gave plant commentaries on the divisional winners.

### ORCHID OF SECOND DIVISION ORCHID OF THE NIGHT

Second Division had 14 orchids displayed. The Orchid of Second Division was *Masdevallia decumana* grown by Geoff Richardson.

*Masdevallia decumana* is a species *Masdevallia* that is seldom seen on the judging benches in South Australia. It originates from Ecuador and Peru.

The orchid had two large flowers. They were best viewed by bending down to bench height. The flowers had unusual speckled brown markings.

*Masdevallia decumana* was chosen as the Plant of the Night. Congratulations to Geoff Richardson who had a very successful night.



### ORCHID OF SECOND DIVISION ORCHID OF THE NIGHT

*Masd. decumana*

Grown By Geoff Richardson

Photo Neil Cooper



The Seedling of the Night was *Paphiopedilum liemanum* also grown by Geoff Richardson.

### SEEDLING OF THE NIGHT

*Paph. liemanum*

Grown by Geoff Richardson

Photo Neil Cooper

## ORCHID OF OPEN DIVISION

Open Division had eleven Orchids displayed. The winning Orchid of Open Division was *Zygopabstia* Kiwi 'Ripa' grown by Ron Parish. This orchid was awarded an HCC in 2003.

This is an intergeneric orchid. It is a crossing between a *Zygopetalum* and a *Pabstia*.

The plant had four large, beautifully patterned flowers on a single stem. The segments were rounded and the flowers were filled in and looking at you. It was well grown and very well presented with healthy, green foliage unlike many *Zygopetalums* seen with marked, brown leaves.

Well done Ron Parish.



## ORCHID OF OPEN DIVISION

*Zygopabstia* Kiwi 'Ripa'

Grown By Ron Parish

Photos Neil Cooper

## ORCHID OF FIRST DIVISION

First Division had 12 orchids displayed. The winning Orchid of First Division was *Onc.* Space Mine 'Red Rendezvous' grown by Sue and Laurie Carter.

The standout feature of this plant was the vivid orange to red colouration of the flowers with soft contrasting, yellow pollen caps in the centre of each flower. The plant had one stem which was covered in flat, well-formed flowers.

Well done Sue and Laurie.

## ORCHID OF FIRST DIVISION

*Onc.* Space Mine 'Red Rendezvous'

Grown by  
Sue & Laurie Carter  
Photo Neil Cooper



*Vicky Cooper*

Acting Registrar





## DAYTIME CHAPTER

Thursday 13th July, 2023



Hi everyone,

The July daytime group meeting was attended by 14 members including our guest speaker Roger Herriman. Roger shared with us his vast knowledge of Dockrillia and an impressive slide show of flowering Dockrillia. Many thanks Roger.

Plant of the day was won by Josie Ogrowski with *Den. Anne's Rainbow Surprise*. Many thanks to Coral, Josie, Janette and Andrew for your valuable assistance and to everyone who donated raffle plants.

Josie Ogrowski with her  
Plant of the Day  
*Den. Anne's Rainbow Surprise*.



### Next Meeting

**Guest Speaker: Chris and Lynn Heysen**  
speaking on *Phalaenopsis*.

Thursday 10th August – 2pm,  
Lou Kesting Hall, South Brighton

*Alan Miller*

0434 052 676

*Anne Steer Richard Crinion*





## SOUTHERN REGION MEETING Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2023

**Convenor, Chris Heysen**, opened the meeting at 2.00 pm welcoming the 24 members present. Welcome also to Pauline and Mark Hockey who have orchids for sale. Unfortunately our guest speaker, who was to have been Rowan Crowhurst, has had to cancel due to family reasons so in his place Chris will give a presentation on growing veggies in your garden.

**Apologies:** Alan Clayton, Christine Robertson and Julia Mumford.

**Thank you to Anne Steer** for running the the Learners Group session for today. Her topic created a lot of interest.

**Guest Speaker:** Our guest speaker, Chris Heysen, had a very different topic today – the title of his talk being “It’s all About the Taste” - which is the primary reason that he grows his own vegetables. Home grown veggies taste so much better than anything you buy from the supermarket – with the additional benefits of being healthier and more satisfying. The primary requirement for growing veggies is having and maintaining good soil but Chris also talked about rotations, fertilisers and pest control. There was a lot of useful information for home gardeners in this presentation.

**New Members:** A new members kit and name badges were presented to Ruth Creedy and Heather McDonald.

**Birthday Prize:** Andrew Craig

**Lucky Name Badge:** Anne Matthews

**Lucky Door Prize:** Heather McDonald

### Announcements

1. Anne told members about the forthcoming Winter Show.
2. Southern Region Show – as per the last few years our own show will again be in Victor Central Shopping Centre. But this year it will only be 2 days – put-in on Wednesday afternoon 23<sup>rd</sup> August. Take-out at 5pm on Friday 25<sup>th</sup>. So we won’t have Saturday or Sunday this year.
3. Roster for the show has been created. Please consider when you can help. We have lost Don and Shirley this year so we need some extra people to step up.
4. Anne has sales sheets for anyone wishing to sell plants at either of the upcoming shows.
5. Tri-sodium phosphate is again available on the sales desk.

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

**Judging:** was carried out by Don and Jane Higgs. **Judges Commentary:** Jane Higgs.

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

**Members are advised to check the Results List for the correct names of their plants. There have been a number of changes to genera, etc. - Editor**

*Chris Heysen*  
0419 386 769

**Next meeting – Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> August,** Guest speaker will be Jane Higgs. Jane will be talking about how to set up a show display. Jane will also be doing the Learners Group – so please bring along any problem plants and have some questions ready for her.

## July Results List

Ref. No.

Points Awarded

### First Division

#### Australian Native Epiphyte - Hybrid

|     |                             |                               |   |
|-----|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| 376 | Den. Avril's Gold 'Leedham' | Genny & Dudley Huxtable (279) | 3 |
| 377 | Den. Unknown 'Geoff'        | Genny & Dudley Huxtable (279) | 2 |

#### Cymbidium 60 - 90mm - Species

|     |                                                |                               |   |
|-----|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| 382 | Cym. Morialta 'Morialta Falls'                 | Genny & Dudley Huxtable (279) | 3 |
| 383 | Cym. (Jessie Blakiston x Dural Pepper 'Dural') | Genny & Dudley Huxtable (279) | 2 |
| 384 | Cym. Autumn Elf 'Emma'                         | Genny & Dudley Huxtable (279) | 1 |

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

|     |                                 |                               |   |
|-----|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| 379 | Cym. Blazing Fury 'Deep Throat' | Genny & Dudley Huxtable (279) | 3 |
| 380 | Cym. Grand Monarch              | Genny & Dudley Huxtable (279) | 2 |
| 381 | Cym. Penny Serenade             | Genny & Dudley Huxtable (279) | 1 |

#### Laeliinae - Standard over 100mm

|     |                             |                             |   |
|-----|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| 378 | Rlc. Dream Trader 'Hancock' | Chris and Lyn Heysen (1140) | 3 |
|-----|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|---|

#### Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Hybrid

|     |                             |                               |   |
|-----|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| 386 | Phal. Unknown 'Laura Ellen' | Genny & Dudley Huxtable (279) | 3 |
|-----|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|---|

#### Zygopetalinae - Hybrid

|     |                         |                               |   |
|-----|-------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| 385 | Zga. Denpasar x Unknown | Genny & Dudley Huxtable (279) | 3 |
|-----|-------------------------|-------------------------------|---|

### Second Division

#### Australian Native Epiphyte - Hybrid

|     |                         |                                 |   |
|-----|-------------------------|---------------------------------|---|
| 372 | Den. (Ellen x Majestic) | Margaret & Warren Yelland (350) | 3 |
|-----|-------------------------|---------------------------------|---|

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

|     |                            |                              |   |
|-----|----------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| 375 | Cym. Snow Beauty 'Trinity' | Graham & Janette Smith (217) | 3 |
|-----|----------------------------|------------------------------|---|

#### Laeliinae - Cluster

|     |                         |                                 |   |
|-----|-------------------------|---------------------------------|---|
| 373 | Ctt. Porcia 'Cannizaro' | Margaret & Warren Yelland (350) | 3 |
| 374 | Ctt. Portiata           | Margaret & Warren Yelland (350) | 2 |



**ORCHID OF SECOND  
DIVISION  
ORCHID OF THE DAY**  
*Cym. Snow Beauty "Trinity"*  
Grown By Graham &  
Janette Smith  
Photo Jane Higgs





**ORCHID OF FIRST DIVISION**  
*Cym. Morialta 'Morialta Falls'*  
 Grown By Genny & Dudley Huxtable  
 Photo Jane Higgs



## ORCHID NOMENCLATURE by Maurie Black

Orchid Nomenclature – exactly what does that high-sounding expression mean? In much simpler, easily understood language, it means The Naming of Orchids. I've long campaigned on behalf of Orchid Nomenclature and I welcome this opportunity to further my policies, as the senator once said.

How did orchids get their names? Here we are dealing with two branches of Botany – pure Botany and Practical Horticulture, each of which has responsibility for official orchid names. The prime mover in this activity is the science of Botany, which concerns itself only with the naming and recording of species. Hybrids hold no interest for Botanists. None at All! This unimportant side issue is therefore left to the Horticulturalists.

There is no argument to the question of which came first, the chicken or the egg? Of course the species came first, so they go first in the naming. When a new species is discovered, it simply must be named to avoid confusion. Ideally speaking, that is. In practice, however, it is a thorough, Saturday-evening, ocean-going disaster. To that branch of Botany known as Taxonomy is delegated the task of “correctly” naming a new plant species – placing it in an appropriate Genus, then giving it its specific name. The members responsible for this activity are appropriately known as Taxonomists.

Either or both portions of the identification are expected to allot some of the plant's growth habits, its physical peculiarities (if any) and possibly the name of the discoverer. All in Latin for implied authenticity. That's quite a lot of information to be contained in a succinct identity. We can use the Australian native orchid species *Dendrobium linguiforme* as an example. *Dendrobium* translates as growing on a tree, while *linguiforme* means reminiscent of a tongue. The discoverer missed out in this case but *Dendrobium cuthbertsonii* imparted due recognition. And these two examples will suffice. Of course, the great majority of us peasants who actually grow orchids for fun have neither the knowledge nor the interest in making Latin a part of our lexicon. So we do our best to accept the scientific effort. Only thing is, they made a lot of mistakes over the years – mistakes that we will discuss later.

Now, the hybrids. First there were two species, which some enthusiast chose to marry together to make a primary hybrid. If the two species were in the same genus, the genus of

remained the same but if the two species were in different (but compatible) genera, then a manufactured genus name was required. Here is our first departure from the botanical umbrella of authority. The optimist who made the cross had the right to create his own name for his achievement. He could combine part or all of the genus names of the parents in such a way as to roll easily off the tongue to create a new man-made genus, e.g. *Epicattleya* (abbreviated *Epicat.*), for a combination of *Epidendrum* and *Cattleya*. For the second or specific section of the name he can call it *Epicat.* Maurie or *Epicat.* Bluebottle, or just about anything he wishes. Then he submits the required information to the Royal Horticultural Society for registration of that hybrid. Because no two siblings from that cross will be the same, anyone who acquires one may select a clonal name of his choosing, which is of no concern to the RHS. But all divisions of a particular clone must carry the clonal name of that plant – *Epicat.* Bluebottle 'Flame', for example.

More recently multi-generic hybrids involving up to seven different genera have been made. This posed a problem for the RHS. Until the introduction of three genera combinations, combination names could generally be handled. For example, *Brassavola* X *Laelia* X *Cattleya* became *Brassolaeliocattleya* or *Blc.* for short. When a fourth genus was added, as with the introduction of *Sophronitis*, it became too ponderous to handle, so a new system of naming complex man-made hybrids became necessary. A simple suffix – *ara* – was tacked onto a proper name, possibly the breeder's name or that of a friend. In the case of *Brassavola* X *Laelia* X *Cattleya* X *Sophronitis* the new genus became *Potinara* (Potin-ara). There are currently over 230 multi-generics ending in *-ara*.

Now we must go back to the Botanist/Taxonomist and his species. Over the couple of hundred years of orchid exploration and collection, detailed information was not always readily available, so mistakes were made, by the thousand. These mistakes necessarily had to be corrected – we have to admit that. But an example of the turmoil caused can best be illustrated by looking at the horticultural name *Blc.* (for short). Right out of left field the Taxonomists changed the genus name *Brassavola* to *Rhyncolaelia* – no consultation with us at all. What should we do? Accept *Rhyncolaeliolaeliocattleya*? And how would we abbreviate that? And how would we correct the RHS record of hybrids? And how would we change the thousands upon thousands of plant labels around the world? Even if a mere two or three hybrids have been registered with parents that were later the subject of renaming by Taxonomists, the record cannot be altered retrospectively. Because very few of us growers of orchids are botanists on the side, in order to preserve some sort of order in our hobby or our commercial business, we are therefore obliged to follow the RHS ruling of merely noting botanical change but retaining the obsolete name for record purposes.

Please permit me to make a cynical observation, with no malice aforethought. It is interesting to note that, in a general sense all these multitudinous errors are corrected by the simple expedient of waiting till the previous namer had been comfortably dead for about fifty years and no longer in a position to defend his original naming and then just change the darn thing! Could I mention *Odontoglossum bictoniense*? That's now *Lemboglossum bictoniense*. No, wrong again. Now it's *Rhyncostele bictoniense*! But we will, if you don't mind, stay with the RHS and continue to use *Odontoglossum* when naming its hybrids.

Finally, ALL genus names must begin with a capital letter and ALL species epithets must begin with a lower case letter. ALL hybrid names must begin with a capital letter. Clonal names of any particular species or hybrid must begin with a capital letter and be enclosed in single quotes, for example, *Cattleya loddigesii* 'Impassionata' and *Laeliocattleya* Mini Purple 'Tamami'.



## **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:** 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 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.

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

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