

The South Coast Orchid Club of SA Inc.

Gazette

June
2014



PRESIDENT: Geoff Spear

PATRON: Sydney Monkhouse

AT A GLANCE

The next meeting of the South Coast Orchid Club will be held at 8 pm on Wednesday 4th June 2014 at St. Bernadette's Church Hall corner of Walsh Avenue and South Road, St. Marys. Our interstate guest speaker will be Steve Stebbings whose subject will be Attaching Orchids to Mounts. Steve will have plants for sale.

BEGINNERS' GROUP: 7.20 pm. Co-ordinator Daniel Lutz. Please write any questions about orchids and leave in box on table near Secretary's desk. One question will be answered by President, Geoff Spear. The rest will be answered at Beginners' Class at the following meeting.

DAYTIME CHAPTER

The next meeting will be held at Lou Kesting Hall, off Broadway, South Brighton on Thursday 12th June 2014 at 2 pm. Our guest speaker will be Neil and Vicky Cooper talking about collectable glass.

SOUTHERN REGION GROUP

The next meeting will be held at 2 pm. on Sunday 15th June 2014 in Carrickalinga House, 17-19 Torrens Street, Victor Harbor. Guest speaker Ron Yates will speak on Intergeneric Oncidinae.

S.A.R.O.C. FAIR 7th JUNE

Venue: The Drill Hall, Torrens Parade Ground, King William Road, Adelaide at the rear of Government House. Free parking on the Parade Ground.

Friday 6th June:

Hall opens 10.00 am. to set up area for displays etc. 12 to 12.30 put in display plants.

Display: To be completed by 5.00 pm.

Judging: 6.00 pm. If you have a plant worthy of an award, please notify Roger Rankin by 2nd June.

Saturday 7th June:

Hall open 9.00 am. to 5.00 pm.

Dinner at Oakden Centre, cnr. Fosters Road and Hilltop Drive, Oakden commencing at 6.30 pm. Pay on the night. Ring Lucy to book a table on 83814420. This is an exciting night. Members let's organise a group of South Coast people to attend.

Sunday 8th June:

Hall open 9.00 am. to 4.00 pm.

BIRTHDAY CONGRATULATIONS – JUNE

Jan Saxon, Henk van Leuveren, Daniel Spear, Jenny Ciplis, Judy McRedmond, Alan Myren.

NEW MEMBER: Welcome to new member Reg Foster.

JUDGING ROSTER 4/06/2014 from *Sue Zerbe*, Registrar of Judges

OPEN & SECOND DIVISION: Leader – N. Oliver, J. McRedmond **Recorder:** G. Zerbe.

FIRST DIVISION: Leader – J. Gay, P. Haltis **Recorder:** V. Cooper.

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AOC President's Newsletter

When I took over as AOC President, it was my aim to cut expenses as much as possible without impacting on orchid clubs if at all possible. For at least the last 4 years the income of the AOC has decreased considerably; personal memberships/subscriptions to 'Orchids Australia' in Australia have decreased by 15% between 2010/11 and 2012/13 (the year 2013/14 is not complete, so cannot be compared), magazine advertising income is down by 36%, and bank interest by 27%. Thankfully the number of AOC Group Members has been fairly static at around 140 clubs, although there are quite a large number of orchid clubs in Australia which are not Group Members. Unfortunately over the past few years nobody has been prepared to address this situation apart from pulling more out of the reserve funds. Over \$10,000 has been taken out of reserve funds in the last 5 years, and all of this has been used. If this continues, it will draw this fund down to an untenable position. The AOC is not bankrupt by any means, but now is the time when I believe we have to take stock and take some drastic measures.

'Orchids Australia' should be paying for itself, but unfortunately this has not been the case for some time, so the Council cannot keep propping this up. Currently the AOC is losing over \$14 per subscription annually. Increased postage and printing costs have been two of the major components that are causing concerns. The question may be asked: "Should the AOC continue to print 'Orchids Australia'?", but we must bear in mind that the AOC publication not only has subscribers in Australia but overseas as well, and is classed as one of the better orchid publications worldwide. It is also a major means of communication between the AOC, personal and AOC Group Members. We are looking for cheaper ways of producing the magazine, but it is not easy. It would help if you encouraged your club members to subscribe to 'Orchids Australia', as printing charges per magazine are reduced as the number of magazines printed are increased.

Some costs have been cut dramatically – non-magazine postage has been cut considerably with most communication from me by email at no cost to the AOC, and the AGM costs have also been cut by using a cheaper venue. One big expense that has to be looked at is travelling costs to AOC meetings (both AGM and Judges' & Awards Standing Committee meetings). If they don't already do it, Delegates should try to get the cheapest airfare possible by booking as soon as they know the date of the meeting. The 2014 AGM, all being well, will cost almost nothing, as we plan to use Skype for which costs will be absolutely minimal.

Some suggestions for improving finances are:

- 1) The AROs discuss with their member clubs the proposition to help fund the expenses for their Delegates to attend meetings.
- 2) A number of clubs have already had fundraising events for the AOC eg sausage sizzle at Bunnings, or just a straight donation and these are not large clubs (mostly country clubs)

As you are the owners of the Australian Orchid Council I am asking all clubs to discuss these and other ideas to pass on to your ARO and State Delegate.

You are reminded that nomination for AOC Officers for 2015 and any motions that you wish to be discussed at the 2014 AGM or Board of Management Meeting need to be in the hands of the AOC Secretary, Thea Shaughnessy, by June 30th 2014. These may be sent in the post to 88 Wehl St North, Mt Gambier, SA 5290, or by email to jtsaughnessy1@bigpond.com

It is with sadness that I notify you of the sudden passing of Miss Pam Bartlett, a former AOC President, Vice President and Secretary, on May 6th.

Also Colin Jennings, Registrar General and Publications Director, has been seriously ill and it may be some time before he can fulfil all his duties promptly. I ask for your patience if you are waiting for him to do anything for you.

Yours in orchids,
Jim Shaughnessy
AOC President

People who submit articles to the Club for inclusion in our Gazette express opinions which are not necessarily those of the Club.

No guarantee is provided to anyone using the ideas & opinions expressed in these articles.

Items must be delivered to the Editor by the second Thursday of each month.

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EDITOR: Rod McRedmond Ph 08 8293 3545

PUBLIC LIABILITY

Under insurance guidelines all members attending any function or meeting held by the Club must sign an attendance sheet.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

May proved to be a very busy time. It does not happen very often that a May meeting and Afternoon Group fall in the same week as the Show. Fun ,but it adds to the pressure of an already a busy week.

Thank you to Committee and Members for all the assistance we received. You are all champions. Display plants and trading table plants were more plentiful than last year. Pasadena Shopping Centre was most impressed with our beautiful display and the amount of interest from customers.

Congratulations to Grand Champion and Division Growers a great effort. You all need a pat on the back for giving such pleasure to everyone who came to see the display.

Kevin Cattermole was our guest speaker, accompanied by his wife Roxanne. Kevin also spoke at the Daytime Chapter. Once again Kevin gave very interesting presentations. Kevin and Roxanne often come to Adelaide to look at the shows and both are excellent customers at the trading table. Thank you to both. Our monthly meeting had an excellent benching of orchids.

Friday the 30th May I have been invited to Bunnings at Noarlunga to give a potting demonstration.

Finally, but most importantly, at S.A.R.O.C. Fair. our orchid display will be completely different to other years. You will be impressed. Paul and Donja Hayes have designed this display. Please, we need your orchids to make this a magnificent display. Please see information on front page. We would also like helpers to transport Orchids etc.

Good Growing and Showing,
Geoff.

DAYTIME CHAPTER

Hi Everyone,

Now that the Autumn Show, Main Meeting and Daytime Chapter have all taken place (quite a busy week) I must knuckle down and do this short summary of our very interesting Daytime Meeting.

Our guest speaker, Mr Kevin Cattermole and his lovely wife Rosanne came all the way from Napperby (near Pt Pirie) to be guest speaker at both our Main Group and Afternoon Group Chapter. So thank you both so very much, for coming all this way to share your wealth of knowledge with us.

Kevin's talk at the Daytime Chapter was to inform us all about different ways of creating the right growing environment for our orchids, eg. humidity, location and also moving them around occasionally to find the right position to suit your particular environment. Everyone has different growing conditions. He also told of how the right watering methods could help control certain pests. All this was great to hear and hopefully will be put into action by us all. It's given us all food for thought anyway. A Power Point Presentation. was also shown of Kevin's particular watering systems.

There were a few plants and potted home made jams also available on our trading table. These were brought along by Kevin & Rosanne and were eagerly purchased by members.

Geraldine Flavel, with a little help from Kevin did a great job with our plant commentary. Thanks Geraldine.

Lance Davis grew the plant that was voted in best on the day. A lovely plant Cattleya "Singapore Welcome". A plant with lovely huge pale mauve flowers, an oldie but a goodie, Congratulations Lance & Barbara. Well done.

Apologies from Geoff and Lucy who are manning our trading table at Pasadena.

A big cheerio to the members not able to attend today. Take care all. We hope to see you all again very soon.

The meeting was closed after another great afternoon.

Thanking all in attendance,

Bye Dorothy
Phone: 8277 1793



SOUTHERN REGION GROUP MEETING SUNDAY 18TH MAY 2014

Beginner's Group: started at 1.30p.m. hosted by John Gay

The President opened the meeting at 2.00p.m. welcoming members. He spoke about the Autumn Show and thanked us for our plants and help on trading table. He congratulated Noel Oliver and Eileen Pinnock for their achievements at the show where Eileen received best of first division with her *Cymbidium dayanum*.

He then welcomed guest speaker Graham Zerbe who then gave his informative talk on 'How to prepare your plants for shows'.

The plants bought in for judging were a credit to the members.

Members were invited to attend the main meeting on 4th June to hear guest speaker Steve Stebbings talk on attaching orchids to mounts.

.Guest speaker next meeting on 15th June will be Ron Yates talking on Oncidiums.

Apologies: The Worthing Family and Krys Gilmore.

New Members: Daryl Jones was presented with his plant and name badge. Welcome Daryl.

Judging: Noel Oliver and John Gay.

Plant of the Day and Popular vote: *Paph. villosum* benched by Ruth Tugwell.

SRG May Results List

Ref.No.

Points Awarded

Second Division

Australian Native Epiphyte – Hybrid

133	Den. Mekong	Keith & Russ Sutton	3
134	Den. Noel's Star	Eileen Pinnock	2
135	Den. (Colonial Surprise x Bicentennial Gem)	Sid James	1

Cymbidium over 90 mm – Species

166	Cym. tracyanum	Sid James	3
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Cymbidium over 90 mm White/Cream/Yellow/Green

161	Cym. Kimberley Khan	Grace Noll	3
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Cymbidium under 60mm Red/Pink/Brown

162	Cym. (President Gorbachev x Valley Princess)	Eileen Pinnock	3
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Cymbidium under 60 mm – Species

164	Cym. dayanum	Eileen Pinnock	3
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Cymbidium – under 60 mm White/Cream/Yellow/Green

165	Cym. Sarah Jean 'Ice Cascade'	Eileen Pinnock	3
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Laeliinae – Standard under 100 mm

138	Blc. Westfieldensis	Ruth Tugwell	3
139	C. Browniae	Reg & Elsie Clifford	2
140	C. (Lavender Ice x Beaufort)	Eileen Pinnock	1

Laeliinae – Standard over 100 mm

136	Lc. Little Suzie 'Orchidglade'	Ruth Tugwell	3
137	C. Barbara	Ruth Tugwell	2

Oncidiinae Hybrid – under 60 mm.

152	Bakerara Sumarai	Grace Noll	3
153	Onc. Sharpy Baby 'Sweet Fragrance'	Reg & Elsie Clifford	2
154	Miltassia Aztec 'Toni'	Eileen Pinnock	1

Oncidium Hybrid – Over 60 mm.

150	Brassia verrucosa	Ruth Tugwell	3
151	Miltonia unknown	Marilyn Jelfs	2

SRG May Results List (cont.)

Ref.No.

Points Awarded

Second Division (cont.)

Paphiopedilum – Non Standard

- 155 Paph. villosum
 156 Paph. Lady Light 'Alba'
 157 Paph. (Redstart x Holdenii)

Zygopetaliinae – Hybrid

- 144 Z. [(Secundum x Titanic) x Kiwi Choice]
 145 Z. Kiwi Choice 'Eileen'
 146 Z. Clare Fisher 'Green'

Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere – Species

- 147 Dendrochilum cobbianum 'Werse'
 148 Stenoglottis longifolia
 149 Maxillaria schunkeana

Plant of the Day and Popular vote: Paph. Villosum

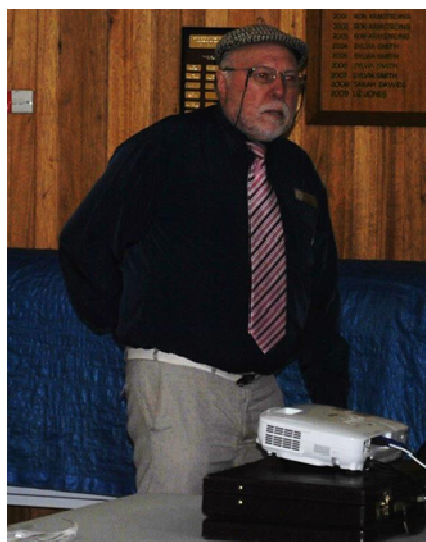
Ruth Tugwell	3
Ruth Tugwell	2
Keith & Russ Sutton	1
Keith & Russ Sutton	3
Eileen Pinnock	2
Reg & Elsie Clifford	1
Ruth Tugwell	3
Marilyn Jelfs	2
Sid James	1
Ruth Tugwell	



Flower of the Day & Popular Vote winner *Paphiopedilum villosum* benched by Ruth Tugwell.



Ruth Tugwell is presented with her glass and cup for her Flower of the Day & Popular Vote winner *Paphiopedilum villosum*.



Guest Speaker Graham Zerbo in full swing giving his presentation on 'How to prepare your plants for shows'.

May Results List

Ref. No.		Points Awarded
Open Division		
Laeliinae - Non Standard		
131	Lc. Puppy Love 'True Beauty'	Noel Oliver (102) 3
Laeliinae - Species		
132	L. rubescens	Richard & Beryl Wilson (321) 3
Laeliinae - Standard over 100mm		
124	Rlc. (Redland Gem x Serene Sunset)	Richard & Beryl Wilson (321) 3
126	Rlc. Caricia en Paraiso 'Cassie'	Richard & Beryl Wilson (321) 2
127	Rlc. (Redland Maria x Redland Dream)	Richard & Beryl Wilson (321) 1
Laeliinae - Standard under 100mm		
128	Pot. Burana Beauty 'Burana'	Peter & Geraldine Flavel (487) 3
129	C. (Mount Isa x Sunset Mel)	Richard & Beryl Wilson (321) 2
130	Rlc. (Amy Sunset x Sunset Mel)	Richard & Beryl Wilson (321) 1
Oncidiinae - Hybrid < 60mm		
141	Milt. Anne Warne	Kevin Trevan (295) 3
142	Odt. Santos 'Daewoo'	Pauline & Mark Hockey (1556) 2
Oncidiinae - Hybrid > 60mm		
140	Brat. [Mtssa] Estrelita	Peter & Geraldine Flavel (487) 3
Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Hybrid		
135	Srts. Toowoomba Sparkle 'Coconut Ice'	Kevin Trevan (295) 3
136	Den. Unknown 'Lance'	Richard & Beryl Wilson (321) 2
Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Species		
137	Phal. [Dor.] pulcherima 'Red Giant'	Peter & Geraldine Flavel (487) 2
Orchid Seedling - any Genera		
138	Rlc. Caricia en Paraiso 'Cassie'	Richard & Beryl Wilson (321) 3
Zygopetalinae - Hybrid		
133	Z. Nairne	Kevin Trevan (295) 3
134	Z. Kiwi Choice x Z. Titanic = Z. Conway's Choice	Kevin Trevan (295) 2
First Division		
Cymbidium 60 - 90mm - any other colour		
111	Cym. Michael Herbert 'Anzac'	Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby (1252) 3
112	Cym. Freckles 'Pale Face'	Rod & Judy McRedmond (1141) 2
Cymbidium over 90mm - any other colour		
110	Cym. (Pure Lemon x Peter Pan)	Ian & Denise Attenborough (450) 3
Cymbidium under 60 - any other colour		
114	Cym. Morialta 'Morialta Falls'	Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby (1252) 3
Cymbidium under 60 Red Pink Brown		
113	Cym. (President Gorbachev x Valley Princess)	Eileen Pinnock (519) 3
Laeliinae - Cluster		
106	Lc. Angel Heart 'Hihimanu'	Rito & Rosetta Silvestri (302) 3
107	Ctt. Bactia 'Forever Yours'	Rito & Rosetta Silvestri (302) 2
Laeliinae - Non Standard		
108	C. (bowringiana x Claesiana)	Ian & Denise Attenborough (450) 3
109	Lc. CG Roebling 'Coerulea'	Ian & Denise Attenborough (450) 2
Laeliinae - Standard over 100mm		
105	C. Languedoc 'Singapore Welcome'	Rito & Rosetta Silvestri (302) 3
Oncidiinae - Hybrid > 60mm		
115	Brat. [Mtssa]. Estrelita	Rito & Rosetta Silvestri (302) 3
Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Species		
117	Sngl. longifolia	Rito & Rosetta Silvestri (302) 3
118	Sngl. longifolia	Ian & Denise Attenborough (450) 2
Specimen Species or Hybrid		
120	Sngl. longifolia	Rito & Rosetta Silvestri (302) 3
121	Lc. Angel Heart 'Hihimanu'	Rito & Rosetta Silvestri (302) 2
122	Brat. [Mtssa.] Estrelita	Rito & Rosetta Silvestri (302) 1
Zygopetalinae - Hybrid		
116	Zga. Burra	Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby (1252) 3
Second Division		
Cymbidium 60 - 90mm - any other colour		
151	Cym. Seven Waterfalls 'Darcy'	Daniel & Andrew Lutz (709) 3
152	Cym. Sundanni Autumn 'Fragrant Gold'	Daniel & Andrew Lutz (709) 2
Cymbidium 60 - 90mm White Cream Yellow Green		
150	Cym. (Peter Pan x Wyanga) Cym. Mini Verde	Daniel & Andrew Lutz (709) 3

May Results List (cont.)

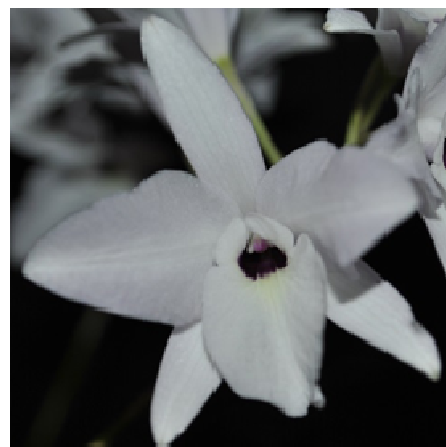
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Second Division(cont.)		
Laeliinae - Cluster		
146	C. Kew	Daniel & Andrew Lutz (709) 3
Laeliinae - Non Standard		
147	L. anceps x Schom. Superbiens = L Nemesis	Paul & Donja Hayes (1129) 3
149	C. Angela	Vicky & Neil Cooper (1119) 2
Laeliinae - Standard over 100mm		
148	Bc. Pastoral 'Innocence'	Christine Robertson (661) 3
145	Blc. Pumpkin Festival	Jack Cronshaw (505) 2
Oncidiinae - Species		
143	Onc. uniflora	Paul & Donja Hayes (1129) 3
Paphiopedilum - Non Standard		
144	Paph. Crossianum	Heather Wright (868) 3

May Plant Commentary

Flower of Second Division and Flower of the Night: *Oncidium uniflora* grown by Paul and Donja Hayes. This lovely species orchid had seven (7) inflorescences and sixteen (16) flowers. The petals were khaki green in colour with yellow skirts and a shield of light tan, grown on a cork base with tilandsia to help retain humidity around the plant. The plant was very clean and fresh.
 Congratulations Paul and Donja, your orchid certainly deserves its win tonight.



Flower of Open Division: *Laelia rubescens* grown by Richard and Beryl Wilson another great species orchid having two (2) inflorescences and seven (7) plus flowers grown on a cork base and tilandsia. These delicate white flowers, with a very pale mauve flush around the edges of the petals and boasting a lip with a dark purple at the back of the throat had a white and mauve pollen cup. This is a really a striking orchid. Thank you so much for bringing it in for us to see tonight.



May Plant Commentary (cont.)

Flower of First Division: *LaelioCattleya* Angel Heart 'Hihimanu', grown by Rito and Rosetta Silvestri, had four (4) upright inflorescences with five (5) to seven (7) flowers. The Pale pink flowers had a flush of white and frilled lip of pale pink centered with a dark purple wedge and a blushed yellow centre with a white pollen cup with pink spots. Thank you Rito and Rosetta, now we all want one of these beautiful orchids.



Seedling of the Night: *Rhyncolaeliocattleya* Caricia En Paradise 'Cassie' was grown by Richard and Beryl Wilson. It had one (1) inflorescence with two (2) delightful flowers, white in colour with a spectacular lip, fluted with a purple wedge flowing up to a yellow flush and a white pollen cap.



Popular Vote of the Night: *Brassocattleya* Pastoral 'Innocence' was grown by Christine Robertson. This orchid had two (2) inflorescences with open flowers and one still to open. The flowers were quite unusual. The dorsal and the two lower sepals were plain sepals and the petals frilled, the lip being fluted all around a yellow centre with a white column and pollen cap.



Autumn Show Champions List

GRAND CHAMPION

Den. Burana Stripes 'WU'

Peter & Geraldine Flavel (487)

CHAMPION OPEN DIVISION

Den. Burana Stripes 'WU'

Peter & Geraldine Flavel (487)

Bill Murdoch Trophy Nomination

Den. wassellii 'Olly'

Noel Oliver (102)

CHAMPION LAELIINAE

B. nodosa

Peter & Geraldine Flavel (487)

CHAMPION OTHER GENERA

Den. Burana Stripes 'WU'

Peter & Geraldine Flavel (487)

CHAMPION SPECIES

B. nodosa

Peter & Geraldine Flavel (487)

CHAMPION SPECIMEN

Sngls. longifolia

Geoff & Lucy Spear (5)

CHAMPION AUSTRALIAN NATIVE

Den. wassellii 'Olly'

Noel Oliver (102)

Les Nesbit Trophy Award (Species)

Den. wassellii 'Olly'

Noel Oliver (102)

CHAMPION FIRST DIVISION

Cym. dayanum

Eileen Pinnock (519)

CHAMPION CYMBIDIUM

Cym. dayanum

Eileen Pinnock (519)

CHAMPION PAPHIOPEDILUM

Paph. (Olivia x Maudiae)

Rod & Judy McRedmond (1141)

CHAMPION SECOND DIVISION

Onc. Sweet Sugar

Paul & Donja Hayes (1129)

CHAMPION ONCIDIINAE

Onc. Sweet Sugar

Paul & Donja Hayes (1129)

CHAMPION ZYGOPETALINEA

Zcx. Pimpala 'March 17th'

Bill Jayne (1180)

Autumn Show Results List

Points Awarded

Open Division

Australian Native epiphyte - Species

Den. Wassellii 'Olly' Noel Oliver (102) 3

Australian Native epiphyte - Hybrid

Den. Hilda Poxon 'Shorty' John & Bev Gay (65) 3

Den. lithocola Ron & Irene Parish (477) 2

Australian Native terrestrial - Hybrid

Den. (lithocola x phalaenopsis) Peter & Geraldine Flavel (487) 2

BEST AUSTRALIAN NATIVE

Den. Wassellii 'Olly' Noel Oliver (102) 3

Cymbidium All Sizes and Colours

Cym. Artful Geoff & Lucy Spear (5) 3

Cym. (Cobar x Peter Pan) John & Bev Gay (65) 2

Cym. dayanum Ron & Irene Parish (477) 2

BEST CYMBIDIUM

Cym. Artful Magic 'Martina' Geoff & Lucy Spear (5) 3

Dendrobium (not Aust Native) -

Den. Burana Stripes 'WU' Peter & Geraldine Flavel (487) 3

Dendrobium (not Aust Native) -

Den. (lithocola x phalaenopsis) Peter & Geraldine Flavel (487) 3

BEST DENDROBIUM - (Not Aust Native)

Den. Burana Stripes 'WU' Peter & Geraldine Flavel (487) 3

Laeliinae - species

B. nodosa Peter & Geraldine Flavel (487) 3

Psh. cochleata 'Rita' Peter & Geraldine Flavel (487) 2

Laeliinae Standard under 100mm

C. Mini Surprise John & Bev Gay (65) 3

Pot. Burana Angel 'Hsinying' John & Bev Gay (65) 2

Laeliinae Standard over 100mm

C. Languedoc 'Singapore Welcome' Ron & Irene Parish (477) 3

Laeliinae Cluster

Cook. Tropical Snowflake 'Galaxy' John & Bev Gay (65) 3

Ctt. Portia 'Gloriosa' John & Bev Gay (65) 2

Laeliinae Non-Standard

Lc. Adelaide Silver John & Bev Gay (65) 2

Laeliinae - Specimen

B. nodosa Peter & Geraldine Flavel (487) 3

B. nodosa Ron & Irene Parish (477) 2

BEST LAELIINAE

B. nodosa Peter & Geraldine Flavel (487) 3

Oncidiinae - Species

Oncsa. trulliferum John & Bev Gay (65) 3

Phalaenopsis Standard

Phal. unknown Helmut & Ursula Herrmann (1489) 3

Phal. Unknown Helmut & Ursula Herrmann (1489) 2

BEST PHALAENOPSIS

Phal. unknown Helmut & Ursula Herrmann (1489) 3

Vandae - Hybrid

Sartylis Toowoomba Sparkle 'Coconut Ice' Kevin Trevan (295) 3

Angcm. Lemforde 'Whitre Beauty' Peter & Geraldine Flavel (487) 2

Autumn Show Results List (cont.)

Points Awarded

Open Division (cont.)

Cymbidium - Species

Cym. dayanum	Ron & Irene Parish (477)	3
Cym. dayanum	Ron & Irene Parish (477)	2

BEST VANDEAE

Sartylis Toowoomba Sparkle 'Coconut Ice'	Kevin Trevan (295)	3
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Zygopetalum - Hybrid

Z. Artur Elle 'Essendon'	Peter & Geraldine Flavel (487)	3
Z. Clare Fisher	Geoff & Lucy Spear (5)	2

Zygopetalinae - Hybrid

Z. Artur 'Elle' x Zba.(Elfin Jade x Helen Ku)	Kevin Trevan (295)	3
Z. Advance Australia x Zga.Adelaide Meadows	Kevin Trevan (295)	2

BEST Zygopetalinae

Z. Artur Elle x Zba.(Elfin Jade x Helen Ku)	Kevin Trevan (295)	3
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Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere -

Coel. ovalis Minor	Geoff & Lucy Spear (5)	3
Sngls. longifolia	Geoff & Lucy Spear (5)	2

Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere -

Catasetum Orchidglade 'Li'	Peter & Geraldine Flavel (487)	3
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Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere -

Sngls. longifolia	Geoff & Lucy Spear (5)	3
Sngls. longifolia	Geoff & Lucy Spear (5)	2

BEST ORCHID GENERA -

Den. Burana Stripes 'WU'	Peter & Geraldine Flavel (487)	3
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Cymbidium - Specimen

Cym. dayanum	Ron & Irene Parish (477)	3
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First Division

Australian Native epiphyte - Species

Liparis reflexa	& Oui Ju Michael Willoughby (1252)	3
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Australian Native - Specimen

Liparis reflexa	& Oui Ju Michael Willoughby (1252)	3
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BEST AUSTRALIAN NATIVE

Liparis reflexa	& Oui Ju Michael Willoughby (1252)	3
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Cymbidium All Sizes and Colours

Cym. Enzan Summer 'Ben'	& Oui Ju Michael Willoughby (1252)	3
Cym. Valentine's Love 'Leanne'	& Oui Ju Michael Willoughby (1252)	2

BEST CYMBIDIUM

Cym. dayanum	Eileen Pinnock (519)	3
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Laeliinae Cluster

C. Portia 'Coerulea'	Rod & Judy McRedmond (1141)	2
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Laeliinae Non-Standard

C. Penang 'Black Caesar'	& Oui Ju Michael Willoughby (1252)	3
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BEST LAELIINAE

C. Penang 'Black Caesar'	& Oui Ju Michael Willoughby (1252)	3
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Oncidiinae - Species

Gom. flexuosa	Rod & Judy McRedmond (1141)	3
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BEST ONCIDIINAE

Gom. flexuosa	Rod & Judy McRedmond (1141)	3
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Paphiopedilum - Non Standard

Paph. (Olivia x Maudiae 'Gothic')	Rod & Judy McRedmond (1141)	3
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Autumn Show Results List (cont.)

Points Awarded

First Division (cont.)

BEST PAPHIOPEDILUM

Paph. (Olivia x Maudiae 'Gothic')	Rod & Judy McRedmond (1141)	3
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Cymbidium - Species

Cym. dayanum	Eileen Pinnock (519)	3
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Zygopetalum - Hybrid

Z. Titanic 'Monarch'	& Oui Ju Michael Willoughby (1252)	3
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Z. Redvale 'Jerb'	& Oui Ju Michael Willoughby (1252)	2
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Zygopetalinae - Hybrid

Hmwsa. Aussie Quest 'MW'	& Oui Ju Michael Willoughby (1252)	3
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BEST Zygopetalinae

Z. Titanic 'Monarch'	& Oui Ju Michael Willoughby (1252)	3
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Cymbidium - Specimen

Cym. Enzan Summer 'Ben'	& Oui Ju Michael Willoughby (1252)	3
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Cym. dayanum	Eileen Pinnock (519)	2
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Second Division

Australian Native epiphyte - Species

Den. lithocola 'Mauve Shower'	Rowan Crowhurst (763)	3
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Australian Native - Specimen

Den. lithocola 'Mauve Shower'	Rowan Crowhurst (763)	3
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BEST AUSTRALIAN NATIVE

Den. lithocola 'Mauve Shower'	Rowan Crowhurst (763)	3
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Cymbidium All Sizes and Colours

Cym. Enzan Summer 'Gold Dust'	Bill Jayne (1180)	3
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BEST CYMBIDIUM

Cym. Enzan Summer 'Gold Dust'	Bill Jayne (1180)	3
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Laeliinae - species

B. nodosa	Paul & Donja Hayes (1129)	3
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Laeliinae Cluster

Lc. Blue Boy x C. harrisoniae	Bill Jayne (1180)	3
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C. Portiata 'Mel'	Paul & Donja Hayes (1129)	2
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BEST LAELIINAE

Lc. Blue Boy x C. harrisoniae	Bill Jayne (1180)	3
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Oncidiinae - Species

Gom. flexuosa	Rowan Crowhurst (763)	3
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Milt. clowesii	Vicky & Neil Cooper (1119)	2
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Oncidiinae Hybrid > 60mm

Pwp. Mariposa 'Green Valley Alba'	Rowan Crowhurst (763)	3
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Mtssa. Aztec 'Toni'	Rowan Crowhurst (763)	2
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Oncidiinae Hybrid < 60mm

Onc. Sweet Sugar	Paul & Donja Hayes (1129)	3
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Oncidiinae - Specimen

Onc. Sweet Sugar	Paul & Donja Hayes (1129)	3
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BEST ONCIDIINAE

Onc. Sweet Sugar	Paul & Donja Hayes (1129)	3
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Zygopetalinae - Hybrid

Zcx. Pimpala 'March 17th'	Bill Jayne (1180)	3
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BEST Zygopetalinae

Zcx. Pimpala 'March 17th'	Bill Jayne (1180)	3
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Autumn Show Plant Commentary

AUTUMN SHOW 4/05/14 to 10/05/14

The Judging of the Autumn Show took place on a cold 16°C day at the Hamilton School Basketball Stadium, we had 65 orchids to judge the number being down on recent years but the quality was of a really high standard, and the display was really eye-catching.

would like to take this opportunity to congratulate those members whose orchids were prize winners as well as all of the members who supported the show because without your support there would not be a show.

There was no denying that the Grand Champion was the stand out plant of the Show, a *Dendrobium* Burana Stripes 'WU' (below) grown by Peter and Geraldine Flavel. This orchid also gave Peter and Geraldine the Open Division Champion, and Champion of any other genus, not listed. Congratulations this standout orchid had 40 plus pale pink flowers finely pinstriped in a pinky/purple and the lip with a darker stripe, Peter and Geraldine you really had a very successful show.



Peter and Geraldine Flavel grew Champion Laeliinae with *Brassavola nodosa* also giving them Champion species, a deserving win for you both a stunning orchid.

Champion Specimen *Stenoglottis longifolia* (below) was grown by Geoff and Lucy Spear. Congratulations on a typically well grown specimen and an exceptional plant.



Autumn Show Plant Commentary (cont.)

Champion Australian Native: *Dendrobium wassellii* 'Olly' (below) was grown by Noel Oliver this lovely mounted orchid boasted 8 plus inflorescences clean white flowers with a cream lip also gave Noel, The Bill Murdoch Trophy Nomination and the Les Nesbit Trophy Nomination (Species).



Champion Cymbidium: *Cymbidium dayanum* grown by Eileen Pinnock also gave Eileen the Champion First Division this orchid has 20 plus inflorescences evenly growing around the pot congratulations Eileen a really showy orchid.



Champion Paphiopedilum was won by Rod and Judy McRedmond with *Paphiopedilum* (Olivia x Maudiae) (below). Congratulations Rod and Judy a very tall inflorescence with a lovely surprise on top.



Autumn Show Plant Commentary (cont.)

Champion Oncidiinae was *Oncidium* Sweet Sugar grown by Paul and Donja Hayes this orchid also gave them Second Division Champion a beautiful plant two inflorescence one with 70 flowers and the other had 60 plus buds yet to open, this is a magnificent plant just imagine what it would look like with all the buds open well done Paul and Donja this orchid is a real credit to you.



Champion Zygopetalinae was won by Bill Jayne with *Zygopabstia* Pimpala 'March 17th' the flowers petals are green and dappled markings of brown, the lip is white and purple veined with a blush of lighter purple well done a very nice clean plant.



Once the judging was completed and plants were transported to the Shopping Centre. The display assembled in the Pasadena Shopping Centre was a credit to the Club Members that participated, and of course to those who created the display. I believe from reports that it was a successful Autumn Show

Sue Zerbe
Registrar of Judges

Culture notes for June

June signals our official start to winter although the lead up to it was hardly what you would expect in late autumn with day after day in the mid 20's. Even the sun now still has a degree of heat to it well above what you expect 4 weeks out from the shortest days of year. So has this confused our orchids? Heck yeah. I have plants flowering now in mid May as I write these that normally grace the winter show bench in July. However, it is good to see some plants though sticking to their time table such as the natives.

June weather can be quite variable this month with a fair percentage of fine days in amongst the not so fine days. Looking at the longer term weather models has us on the verge of another warmer and drier winter. Great, 2 years in a row without apricots and cherries. Winter chilling has a great benefit to our fruit trees as it can do with orchids and if stays too warm both cannot be expected to produce their best.

If all goes to plan June can bring with it our first frosts with dry and still nights leading to its formation especially just after a very cold change. It has been awhile since we have had some really bad frosts for an extended period so we should be due rather soon. I still hear horror stories from Junes gone by where whole collections have suffered and took many years to recover. We live in harsh climate of extremes.

Fortunately in suburbia with the general heat that builds up with living close together keeps the nights a little warmer and the only frost is usually a light dusting on the lawn. The same cannot be said for those outside in the country where frosts can be more severe. There are a couple of ways to keep frost at bay. Keep air movement up if possible and wet the floor down at sunset to bump up the humidity can help. You could try and fill some large black containers with water and place them in and under the benches. They will absorb the heat during the day and radiate it back at night. Whilst it may only add 2 or 3 degrees to the internal temperature of your orchid house, that's all you need sometimes to offset any frost. Even spraying the plants with water before the frost settles can help.

As June wears on many early spring flowering plants will begin to break sheath. This applies to natives and cymbidiums in particular and now they need the protection from the elements. A small spot grows into a large spot and bud drop can range from one to all. Throw in a couple of slugs and snails and there goes this plants flowering for this year. It's no point neglecting them at this vital stage. I grow my plants for flowers and not snail food.

Flowering wise we start to see more cymbidiums grace the bench. The Zygopetalum group are still doing well as are the Laeliinae with *Laelia anceps* and the varieties of the same adding great colour to a collection. If you are flowering these as a beginner make sure the flowers are kept dry as soon as they show. Their buds are covered in a sugary secretion that attracts ants and mould if kept damp and they mark easily. Each bud has a protective sheath that should be removed before flowering and whilst holding sap, otherwise if they dry your presentation will have flowers facing all over the place, including upside down.

The larger flowered Cattleyas in the main are finished although there will be few hangers on, especially those with the winter flowering species *C. trianae* in the breeding but if you can, try and build a collection of the mini cat's. Smaller than the standard exhibition type, the influence of some of the smaller winter flowering species such as *C. coccinea* in the background will keep a reliable supply of flowers right thru winter and with the added bonus of flowering more than once a year. The variation between a winter flowering clone and summer flowering clone of the same plant is quite significant. Some do better in the cool and some do better in the warm. As long as you provide hard roof cover and let them dry out in between watering, they are quite easy to grow and take up little bench space.

For those that grow terrestrials June is our wettest month and damping off will become a problem if plants are kept too wet. I found this out after February rains rotted out several exhibition pots before they even showed above the surface. Ouch.

If you do lose a few this year maybe add some more sand to the mix next year to improve drainage. Coarse washed river sand is excellent.

Native epiphytes should be kept a little drier, especially the hot/colds but if you have a few *sarcochilus* then make sure they are kept moist all the time which is similar to *Paphiopedilum* culture as they do not have a bulb or cane that stores moisture over dry periods. *Sarcochilus* will also be in active growth with new roots showing but many will still continue to yellow and drop leaves as the stress of summer plays out the final chapter.

Take note that that the green root tips are great slug tucker and once they take out the tip the root will go dormant for quite a while. We don't need this to happen anytime, so care of any orchid root systems are vitally important. No roots means a sickly plant that has to use up whatever reserves it has in the back bulbs, canes or leaves. The most obvious signs of this is the shrivelling of either the bulbs or the leaves.

Culture notes for June (cont.)

Those that are in spike or have new soft growths should be offered some additional protection if we get an extended wet spell coupled with those grey days when the sun don't shine.

Paphiopedilums will also start flowering in good numbers from now, especially the standards. Feeding is weak and fortnightly. Water must be kept away from the new flower spikes. If you do get some water in the top leaf axils then place a bit of tissue in the axils to take the water away. A blow through a drinking straw is just as effective. Don't move them around either once the flower spike moves clear of the foliage other wise they do distort like most orchids in the same boat.

With so many plants commencing their flowering season we see a steady increase in staking for presentation. It is no point tying a flower spike into position 5 minutes before you put them in the car and take them to a show. Preparation and training show plants takes place much earlier than that and is very specific to the genera involved.

Any training, adjusting and tying should be kept to the warmer parts of the day. Try it when the plant is cold and brittle and you will only do it once! Try and keep the plant facing the same direction after staking as they will distort badly if moved away from their original position and start searching for the low and weak winter sun.

Watering too should be done mid morning to early afternoon. Water too early and the water in the hose is very cold and we also want all plants as dry as possible at night (for those under cover).

Feeding of your plants in active growth usually drops back by about half of what you would normally feed them this time of year and will apply for the next 3 months.

Winter will move a few more pests into the relative protection offered in our orchid houses so keep an eye out on bug prone plants both inside and outside. Some of the examples being green caterpillars in the baby's tears, aphids in the thistles and woolly bears in the flat weeds such as Salvation Jane and plantain. If numbers start building up on these plants then preventative measures should be undertaken to keep them away from our orchids. Observation is one of the key elements to succeeding in all facets of gardening, not just orchids.

With the end of June we once again see the days start to lengthen but it will be awhile before plants and humans alike will notice the difference to the length of the days. With July on our doorstep we enter the worst month with extended cold dark days and maybe lots of rain and wind. Spare a thought for your plants and offer them the best care you can. Many will be in spike, the result of a careful years care, why ruin all the good work now with a little neglect because it's cold to go outside and look after them.

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