

# The South Coast Orchid Club of SA Inc.

## Gazette

**August  
2017**

**PRESIDENT: Michael Willoughby**  
**PATRON: Sydney Monkhouse**



### **AT A GLANCE**

The next meeting of the South Coast Orchid Club will be held at 8.00 pm on Wednesday 2nd August 2017 at St. Bernadette's Church Hall, corner Walsh Avenue and South Road, St Marys. Our Guest Speaker will be Phillip Smoult of Smoult Mobile Horticultural Suppliers. Phillip has quite a few new lines so this will be an interesting presentation. We thank Phillip for spending time with us.

**BEGINNERS' GROUP:** Next meeting will be 2nd August at 7.30 pm. Geoff Spear will talk on preparing plants for the Spring Show.

#### **LUCKY SQUARE:**

At the Meeting on 2nd August the Lucky Square Prize will be a Surprise.  
Have a Go and see what your Surprise will be.

**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.

#### **JUDGES ROSTER FOR AUGUST:**

|   |                                  |                               |
|---|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Open Division:                                  | Judges: Noel Oliver, Lesley Gunn | Recorder: Helen McIntosh      |
| First Division:                                 | Judges: John Gay, Vicky Cooper   | Recorder: Beth Stronach       |
| Second Division:                                | Judges: John Gay, Vicky Cooper   | Recorder: Christine Robertson |
| [Oui Ju will be an Observer/Floating Assistant] |                                  |                               |

**DAYTIME CHAPTER:** The next meeting will be held at Lou Kesting Hall, off Broadway, South Brighton on Thursday, 10th August 2017 at 2.00 pm. Beginners Group at 1.30pm. Our Guest Speaker will be Graham Zerbe talking about Zygopetalums.

**SOUTHERN REGION:** The next meeting will be held at 2.00 pm on Sunday 20th August 2017 in Carrickalinga House, 17-19 Torrens Street, Victor Harbor. Beginners Class 1.30pm. Our Guest Speaker will be Trevor Jacobs talking about the Sydney Cymbidium Show.

**NEW MEMBER:** Craig Dicker. We welcome you to our Club and hope you have many happy hours with us.

**LUCKY NAME BADGE:** Be 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 on an Attendance Sheet,

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## **UPCOMING CLUB MEETING DATES**

| <b><u>MONTH</u></b>   | <b><u>SPEAKER</u></b> | <b><u>TOPIC</u></b>        |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>August 2017</b>    |                       |                            |
| 02 Main Meeting       | Phillip Smoult        | New Horticultural Supplies |
| 09 Committee Meeting  |                       |                            |
| 10 Daytime Chapter    | Graham Zerbe          | Zygopetalums               |
| 20 Southern Region    | Trevor Jacob          | Sydney Cymbidium Show      |
| <b>September 2017</b> |                       |                            |
| 06 Main Meeting       | Steve Howard          | Surprise                   |
| 13 Committee Meeting  |                       |                            |
| 14 Daytime Chapter    | Rayne Riggs           | Surprise                   |
| 17 Southern Region    | Noel Oliver           | Australian Natives         |

## **ORCHID CALENDAR FOR 2017**

|                                 |                                   |  |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| <b>WINTER SHOW</b>              | <b>Sun 23 July to Sat 29 July</b> | <b>Hallett Cove Shopping Centre,<br/>Lonsdale Highway, Lonsdale.</b> |
| <b>SOUTHERN<br/>REGION SHOW</b> | <b>Thu 24 Aug to Sun 27 Aug</b>   | <b>R.S.L. Hall, Coral Street,<br/>Victor Harbor.</b>                 |
| <b>SPRING SHOW</b>              | <b>Sun 24 Sept to Sat 30 Sept</b> | <b>Seaford Rise Shopping Centre,<br/>Commercial Road, Seaford.</b>   |

**DEADLINE FOR NEXT GAZETTES: 27 August and 20 September**

## **YOUR 2017 COMMITTEE**

|                                 |   |
|---------------------------------|---|
| <b>PRESIDENT:</b>               | <b>Michael Willoughby</b>   |
| <b>SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT:</b>   | <b>Geoffrey Spear</b>   |
| <b>VICE PRESIDENT:</b>          | <b>Donna Meeuwsen</b>   |
| <b>SECRETARY:</b>               | <b>Lucy Spear</b>   |
| <b>TREASURER:</b>               | <b>Anne Steer</b>   |
| <b>COMMITTEE:</b>               | <b>Oui Ju, Heather Wright, David Hayhurst<br/>Christine Robertson, Shirley Greig, Don Greig,<br/>Jim Fogarasi</b> |
| <b>NON COMMITTEE POSITIONS:</b> |   |
| <b>Registrar</b>                | <b>Phillip Steer</b>  |
| <b>Editor</b>                   | <b>Christine Robertson</b>  |
| <b>Web Master</b>               | <b>Michael Willoughby</b>   |
| <b>Librarian</b>                | <b>Raelene Gardner</b>  |

## President's Message



How different a season can be in one year. Last July we had heavy downpours and wind events that caused damage to the growing areas of some of our members. This year we are experiencing very mild weather for Winter and I am sure our plants are enjoying the extra sunshine this year.

This month we welcome Phillip Smoult from Smoults Horticultural Supplies as our Guest Speaker. Make sure that you come along, as Phillip may have that something that you require or are running low on.

Our Winter Show is starting this weekend at the Hallett Cove Shopping Centre. We extend our congratulations to those that win at the judging this weekend and give our thanks to all the members who are showing their plants and providing plants for the Sales Table. Without these plants our shows would not be the spectacle for the public that they are.

Please consider entering the orchid competition at the Royal Adelaide Show this year. It is an open competition offering generous prize money throughout all of the classes. The South Coast Orchid Club of South Australia is sponsoring Champion Seedling this year. If you are interested, please see Lucy for information regarding the competition.

The Southern Region Show is being held at the RSL Hall, Victor Harbor from 24th to 27th August this year. Our growers from the Southern Region always put on a great spectacle. Make a day of it to see the Show and to visit Victor. You may even be lucky enough to see a visitor in the bay.

Successful growing and showing

*Michael*

### **EDITORS NOTE**

Quite a considerable numbers of our members receive this Gazette in black and white by mail. Others have elected to have the Gazette directly emailed to them. They receive the Gazette in full colour and have the benefit of beautiful photographs of very colourful orchids. They also receive the Gazette up to a week before the mail can deliver it to you others.

If you would like to have the colourful version emailed to you send me an email so that I receive your correct email address.

Please don't forget that this is your Gazette. If there is anything you would like to see covered or anything you would like to see changed, please let me know. I especially like photographs to include and details of your successes with your orchids.

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*Christine*

## **WINTER SHOW**

**HALLETT COVE SHOPPING CENTRE  
LONSDALE HIGHWAY, HALLETT COVE.  
SUNDAY 23 JULY TO SATURDAY 29 JULY 2017**



The Committee needs the assistance of members to volunteer to help on the Trading Table. Sell your surplus plants on the Trading Table, ask Lucy for swing tickets and selling sheets.

**REMINDER:** To sell your plants at the Show you must be a financial member and to show a plant to have owned it for 6 months.

**JUDGING:** Saturday 22 July at Hamilton Secondary School, 815 Marion Road, Mitchell Park held in the Basketball Stadium.

**PUT IN TIME:** 11.30a.m. to 12.45p.m.

**JUDGING:** 1.00p.m. Sharp.

After judging plants to be taken to Hallett Cove Shopping Centre. Please make prior arrangements to take your plants from Hamilton School to Hallett Cove.

**TRADING TABLE SET UP:** Saturday 23 July between 4.00p.m. and 5.00p.m.

**Please note: Plants cannot be taken into the Shopping Centre before 4.00pm.**

**DISPLAY:** Your display plants may be taken into Hallett Cove after 4.00p.m. Please take your plants to Hallett Cove as soon as possible for us to build a beautiful display. This is an excellent site.

**MOST IMPORTANT:** The Show Marshall will ring any member if for some reason she feels that any plants may be showing signs of distress.

## **SUBSCRIPTIONS:**

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

|                   |         |
|-------------------|---------|
| Family Membership | \$38.00 |
| Single Membership | \$30.00 |
| Junior Membership | \$22.00 |

### **Rural and Interstate Membership**

|                   |         |
|-------------------|---------|
| Family Membership | \$34.00 |
| Single Membership | \$28.00 |

## **LIFE MEMBERS**

\* denotes Member who has passed away.

|                     |                              |                        |
|---------------------|------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1978 Dulcie Grave   | 1986 Harry Viney *           | 2009 Don Biebrick      |
| 1978 Leora Harvey   | 1986 John Nichols            | 2009 Henk Van Leuveran |
| 1978 L. & H. Poole* | 1989 Helen Edwards           | 2010 Dorothy Carassai  |
| 1978 Ellie Shaw*    | 2003 Norman Gitcham          | 2011 John and Bev Gay  |
| 1979 Syd Monkhouse  | 2005 Merve Steele*           | 2012 Noel Oliver       |
| 1979 Bernie Hanson* | 2005 Shirley Steele          | 2015 Lesley Fenton     |
| 1981 Lois Hanson*   | Circa Tony and Toshi Deonno* | 2015 Rod McRedmond     |
| 1981 John Leader*   | 2007 Ron and Irene Parish    |                        |
| 1985 Brenda Lynch   | 2007 Murray Baulderstone *   |                        |
| 1985 Bubs Gready *  | 2008 Geoff and Lucy Spear    |                        |

This list is still being compiled.



## SPRING SHOW



**SEAFORD SHOPPING CENTRE**  
**SUNDAY 24th SEPT. to**  
**SATURDAY 30th SEPTEMBER**

**VENUE:** Seaford Shopping Centre, Commercial Road, Seaford.

**PRIZE MONEY:** Grand Champion will receive \$15.00 and other Champions \$5.00.

**JUDGING:** Saturday 23rd September at Hamilton School, 815 Marion Road, Mitchell Park in the Basketball Stadium.

**PUT IN TIME:** 9.30a.m. to 10.45p.m.

**JUDGING:** 11.00p.m. Sharp.

After judging, plants are to be taken to Seaford Shopping Centre. Please make prior arrangements if you need your plants transported.

**TRADING TABLE:** Set-up Saturday 23rd September at 4.00p.m.

Members may bring their plants then or anytime during the week. Show times are the Club's bread and butter. Please bring along any plants you have for sale.

**Remember** Sunday 24th September will be the best selling day from 12 noon.

**ASSISTANCE NEEDED:** The Committee needs members' assistance in the following areas:

Volunteer to help on the Trading Table.

Ask for swing tickets and selling sheets.

Provide Flowering Orchid plants for the display, prepared in Show condition for judging with clean pots. Please do not water plants on the day you put them into the Show, the day before is better. Committee will look after your plant's needs while in the Show.

Provide Trading Table plants in good condition with clean pots. You may bring in plants without flowers but please include a photo of the bloom.

**MOST IMPORTANT:** The Show Marshall will ring any member if for some reason she feels that any plants may be starting to show any stress.

**REMEMBER:** To **show** your plants at the Spring Show you must be a financial member and have owned your plants for at least 6 months.



## PREPARING ORCHIDS FOR SALE



1. Select the plants that you want to let go.
2. Obtain Plant Sheets and Plant Price Tags from Lucy in the weeks prior to the Sale.
3. Clean all pots. Wipe them over with a damp cloth to remove all white residue of salt from the pots. If these pots have been recycled from somewhere else, please make sure any old advertising and price stickers are all cleaned off.
4. Check all stakes and add more if necessary and re-tie.
5. Remove old brown husks from bulbs and remove weeds, snails, scale etc.
6. Remove all dry ends on the leaves and shape to a point.
7. Wipe leaves over with a mixture of milk and water (1 part milk to 10 parts water). Do not overdo the milk by adding extra as the fat in the milk will clog the pores in the leaves which will then yellow off and die.
8. Water all plants 2-3 days before, not on the morning that you are bringing them in. This water really makes a mess on our clothes, tablecloths and the floor.
9. The **SALES SHEET** is a carbonless duplicated sheet, so both sheets are to be used together. Press down firmly on a hard surface to imprint on the second page. The original and duplicated sheets must be lodged with plants.
  - Print your name in the top left hand corner of the page
  - Print your club member number in the top right hand corner
  - Rule a narrow column down the left side of the page. This column is for the plant number 1—30. Please use consecutive numbering for additional sheets i.e. 31-60 for page 2, etc.
  - On the right hand side you need a column a bit wider for the selling price of the plant. Be reasonable with the pricing, not greedy. Either you want to sell it or you don't. Take into account the number of spikes and condition of the plant. If you are not sure of pricing, ask someone.
  - The centre section is for the description e.g. Cym, Den, Cat, etc. and the name and colour of your plant e.g. Cym. Without Peer 'Soft Touch' (pink).
10. Next write your **PRICE TAGS**. It's a good idea to do both sides of the tag.
  - Your member number goes on the left hand side
  - The plant number on the right hand side. Circle the plant number.
  - Write your price under these numbers.

Make sure that the tag on the plant matches the information on your sales sheet . These plant price tags need to be checked off on your sheet by another person when you bring you plants in. You can help by reading out the numbers and price on the tag with the other person checking off the list. If there is a discrepancy, it needs to be attended to. Give both copies of the sheet to the person checking the plants off. If you need a copy for yourself, take a third copy. However in most cases you will be given one sheet back with your cheque.

We hope these notes help you. Lucy is always around to assist you further if needed, so just ask for help should you need it.



## **EXHIBITORS' RULES FOR SHOWS**

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



An Article from the South Coast Orchid Club Website- Have a look for yourself for other information.  
[ [www.scocsa.net](http://www.scocsa.net) ]

## **CYMBIDIUM ORCHIDS**

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### **Position:**

These orchids are epiphytes, which means that in the wild, they grow in forks of trees where they receive dappled sunlight all day. So in cultivation, the ideal position for optimum growth and flowers is filtered sun all day - e.g. a shade house with 50%-70% shade cloth. This should be situated in an open position with no trees or buildings that will give shade. If this is not possible, give your cymbidiums the most filtered sunlight per day that you can or place them under a deciduous tree, on the northern side, so that they receive the most sun in winter and yet are protected from the hot overhead sun in summer. This will also protect them from light frosts. If regular or heavy frosts are prevalent in your area, a solid cover, e.g. a clear fibreglass type of material cover will be necessary in winter. This is also a good idea when they are in spike or flower as it protects the blooms from rain and hail etc.



To produce flower spikes, a temperature drop to approximately 10 C for a short period each day is needed **in** spring and summer. Watering in the evenings on hot days will achieve this. In some areas this drop occurs naturally.

### **Watering.**

A rough watering guide can be given by temperature:-

If the temperature is under 20-C, water once a week, depending on rainfall.

When the temperature is between 20c and 30C, water 2 - 3 times a week.

If the temperature is over 30c, water every day, and twice a day if it is very hot

However other factors can affect drying, hot north winds and dew fall for example.

### **Potting mix.**

It is easier if all your orchids are potted in the same type of mix and pots, so if you buy or win an orchid, it will pay you to re-pot it, using the same mix as your other cymbidiums. This will help with the watering, as they are more likely to dry out evenly. There is a wide range of potting media that can be used; the main thing is that the mix is free-draining, as the roots don't like to be soggy or waterlogged. The medium should be slightly acid - PH5. Plain pine bark can be used or a mixture of pine bark, sand and marble chips. For small collections of orchids, a commercial cymbidium potting mix can be used and is easier than mixing your own.

### **Dividing or Repotting**

When dividing or reporting your orchids, pot into a size pot that the orchid can stay in for three years. This is the time span for reporting, even if the orchid doesn't need dividing as the potting mix breaks down in this time and will hold too much moisture. Repot as soon as flowers are finished or picked, spring is usually the best time and before the end of November if possible. Autumn is also a good time. The main thing is not to repot when it is very hot or cold. When dividing the plant, leave at least 3 green bulbs with leaves on the main division, as this is a good flowering sized plant.

### **Fertilising.**

Slow release fertilizers can be used every three months. If using other fertilizers in powder form that are mixed with water, always use half strength and there is less likelihood of burning the plant. Use fortnightly except in winter when no fertilizer is needed.





### ***"HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO US"***

At the July Main Meeting the Club celebrated its 52nd Birthday. There was a lovely display of plants, and Nicky Zurcher showed us some very stunning Paphiopedilums, etc.

The Evening was rounded off with a delicious Supper. We all sang "Happy Birthday to Us" and President Michael Willoughby cut the cake, a very tasty birthday cake made by Donna Meeuwsen, that disappeared at a great rate.

We all look forward to many future such enjoyable Birthday Parties.



### **VIRUS TEST KITS**

The Club has the opportunity to purchase Virus Test Kits for sale to its members. These have a long life and cost \$6.00 each. Please contact Geoff Spear for more information or to place an order.



## **Happy Birthday .....**

**JACK CRONSHAW,  
DONJA HAYES, GRAHAM ZERBE,  
DON BIEBRICK, HENRY HANCOCK,  
CRAIG DICKER, ELSIE CLIFFORD,  
VERONICA WALSH, LYNN HEYSEN**



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

# July Results List

## Open Division

### Australian Native Epiphyte - Hybrid

1037 Den. Colonial Campio John & Bev Gay (65) 3

### Cymbidium 60 - 90mm White Cream Yellow Green

1044 Cym. Pharaoh's Dream Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

1045 Cym. (Dolly x Khan Flame) Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 2

1046 Cym. Devenshire Cream Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 1

### Cymbidium over 90mm - Species

1042 Cym. iridiodes Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

1043 Cym. unknown Peter & Geraldine Flavel (487) 2

### Cymbidium under 60- any other colour

1060 Cym. Enzan Shining 'Royal Flame' Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

### Cymbidium under 60 Red Pink Brown

1047 Cym. Cherry Cola 'May Day' Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

### Laeliinae - Cluster

1041 Rlc. Mem. Crispin Rosales x Ctt. Portiata Geoff & Lucy Spear (5) 3

### Laeliinae - Standard over 100mm

1038 Rlc. Swan's Seduction 'Ali' Richard & Beryl Wilson (321) 3

### Laeliinae - Standard under 100mm

1039 C. (Tokyo Magic x Cosmic Delite) Richard & Beryl Wilson (321) 3

1040 Slc. Golden Wax 'Wu' Peter & Geraldine Flavel (487) 2

### Oncidiinae - Hybrid < 60mm

1061 Gom. [(barbata x varicosa) x forbesii] Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

1062 Onc. Unknown Geoff & Lucy Spear (5) 2

### Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Hybrid

1067 Den. Australian Ginger 'Ginger Meggs' Geoff & Lucy Spear (5) 3

1068 Ctsm. Jessie Ang Richard & Beryl Wilson (321) 2

1069 Phrag. Caluram Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 1

### Orchid Seedling - any Genera

1070 Cym. (Dolly x Khan Flame) Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

### Paphiopedilum - Non Standard

1063 Paph. Unknown Geoff & Lucy Spear (5) 3

### Paphiopedilum - Species

1064 Paph. insigne var. Sanderac Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

1065 Paph. insigne Vicky & Neil Cooper (1119) 2

1066 Paph. villosum var. Annamense Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 1

## First Division

### Australian Native Epiphyte - Species

1072 Liparis reflexa Paul & Donja Hayes (1129) 3

### Cymbidium under 60- any other colour

1075 Cym. (erythraeum x pumilum) George Misirlis (1125) 3

### Laeliinae - Non Standard

1073 Lrn. Sea Urchin Shirley & Don Greig (1128) 3

### Laeliinae - Species

1074 L. goldiana 'Tyabb' Paul & Donja Hayes (1129) 3

### Oncidiinae - Hybrid < 60mm

1077 Onc. Cocoa 'Cesar' Paul & Donja Hayes (1129) 3

1078 Lsz. Howeara Lava Burst 'Pugnani' Shirley & Don Greig (1128) 2

### Oncidiinae - Hybrid > 60mm

1076 Onc. Encinitas Paul & Donja Hayes (1129) 3

### Orchid Seedling - any Genera

1082 Onc. Cocoa 'Cesar' Paul & Donja Hayes (1129) 3

1083 Cym. (erythraeum x pumilum) George Misirlis (1125) 2

### Paphiopedilum - Species

1079 Paph. spicerianum Paul & Donja Hayes (1129) 3

### Zygopetalinae - Hybrid

1080 Z. [Beverly x Warringal x Kiwi Choice] George Misirlis (1125) 3

### Zygopetalinae - Species

1081 Z. maculatum Paul & Donja Hayes (1129) 3



## July Results List cont.

### Second Division

#### Australian Native Epiphyte - Hybrid

1034 Den. [Johnathon's Glory x (Aussie Angel x King) Sid James (170) 3

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

1051 Cym. (Jessie Blakiston x Pepper Blaze) Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 3

1052 Cym. (Willunga Eyecatcher x Winter Wonder) Sid James (170) 2

#### Cymbidium over 90mm White Cream Yellow Green

1048 Cym. Mother's Love 'Serene' Jim Fogarasi (150) 3

1049 Cym. (Sleeping Nymph x Pure Gold) Sid James (170) 2

1050 Cym. Unknown Sid James (170) 1

#### Cymbidium under 60- any other colour

1055 Cym. Butterfly Kisses 'Viridian' Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 3

#### Cymbidium under 60 Red Pink Brown

1053 Cym. Unknown Sid James (170) 3

#### Cymbidium under 60 White Cream Yellow Green

1054 Cym. (Katy's Gold x Sarah Jean) Jim Fogarasi (150) 3

#### Laeliinae - Non Standard

1036 Ctt. (Kauai Starbright x Thospol Spots) x Epc. Vi Christine Robertson (661) 3

#### Laeliinae - Standard over 100mm

1035 Rlc. Pastoral 'Innocence' Christine Robertson (661) 3

#### Oncidiinae - Species

1056 Onc. sotoanum Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 3

#### Specimen Species or Hybrid

1059 Rlc. Pastoral 'Innocence' Christine Robertson (661) 3

#### Zygopetalinae - Hybrid

1057 Npp. Adelaide Jester x Z. Artur Elle Coral Tillmanns & Trevor Kenny (212) 3

1058 Z. Unknown Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 2

### Seedling of the Night

*Onc. Cocoa 'Cesar'*  
Grown by Paul & Donja Hayes



Congratulations  
Paul and Donja

## PLANT COMMENTARY FOR JULY

There were 45 orchids benched at the July monthly meeting, 21 plants in Open Division, 10 in First Division and 14 in Second Division. There was a good cross section of genera in all divisions for this time of year. We were still down on the number of Cymbidium plants being benched. Members are saying that it is a slow year for Cymbidiums. Hopefully the buds will begin to open soon.

### Orchid of the Night and Orchid of Open Division

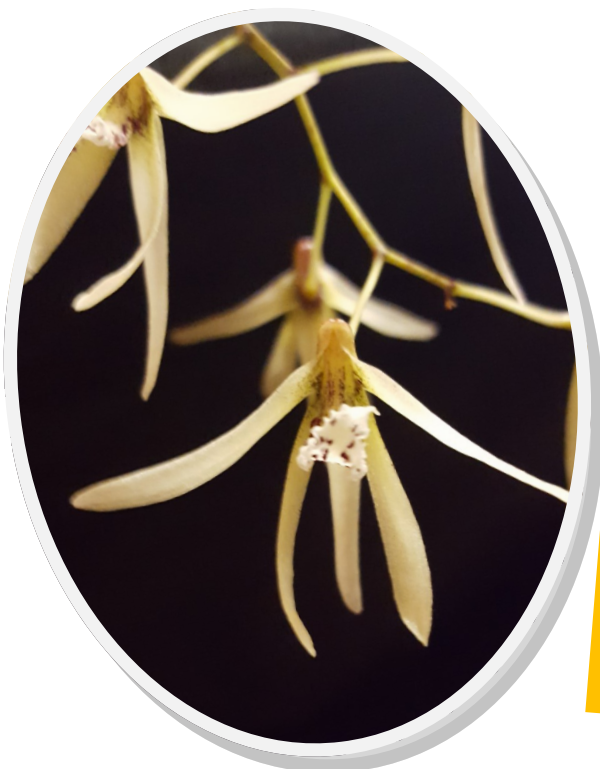
John Gay gave the commentary on this orchid which was *Dendrobium* Australian Ginger 'Meggs', very well grown by Geoff and Lucy Spear. Its parents are *Dendrobium fuliginosum* (which comes from New Guinea) crossed with *Dendrobium striolatum* (which comes from Australia). This orchid is not judged as an Australian Dendrobium because of the parentage. It is judged in the Any Other Genera Hybrid section.

The plant was well displayed on a tree mount with the roots growing right through the mount. It was covered in many small, creamy white, lacy looking, delicate flowers. The plant was grown cold in a shade house. Congratulations to Geoff and Lucy Spear and thank you for sharing this beautiful specimen with us.

#### **Orchid of the Night and Orchid of Open Division**

*Den.* Australian Ginger 'Meggs'

Grown by Geoff & Lucy Spear





## Orchid of First Division



### **Orchid of First Division**

*Z. maculatum*

Grown by Paul and Donja Hayes



The Plant of First Division of which Noel Oliver gave the commentary was grown by Paul and Donja Hayes and was *Zygopetalum maculatum*. It had one tall spike with 6 well presented flowers above the foliage. The flowers were large and well formed with lovely contrasting labellum.

This species of *Zygopetalum* originates in the cooler regions of Brazil, Bolivia and Peru. It will grow successfully with *Cymbidium* orchids in a shade house. This species has been awarded on 20 occasions. Well done Paul & Donja.

## Orchid of Second Division

The plant of Second Division of which Rowan Crowhurst gave the commentary was *Cymbidium* (Katy's Gold X Sarah Jean). It was a well grown plant with 3 inflorescences with approximately 13 yellow/green flowers per spike. The plant was well presented and in good show bench condition. The flower spikes were above the foliage. The flowers were filled in with no marks or damage. Congratulations to Jim Fagarasi on bringing in this great orchid for us to enjoy.



### **Orchid of Second Division**

*Cym.* (Katies Gold x Sarah Jean)

Grown by Jim Fogara-



Thank you to our Judges, Recorders & Pencillers.! Phil Steer will be back on board and hopefully fighting fit ready for the next meeting. Cheers everyone and good growing

*Vicky Cooper*

Acting Registrar on behalf of Phil Steer



## DAYTIME CHAPTER

### Thursday 13th July 2017

Meeting commenced with Geoff Spear conducting the Beginners' Group. Thank you again, Geoff. At 2pm Coral welcomed members & our guest speaker John Gay & his wife Beverly.

Happy 52nd Birthday to our Club and may we enjoy many more years to come.

**Apologies:** Betty Osborne and Vicky Cooper.

**Door Prize:** Bev Gay.

**Lucky Name Badge:** Brian Osborne

The Winter Show at Hallett Cove Shopping Centre, July 23 to 29 requires anything with colour. The season seems to be a little slow. Check the Gazette for details and help out as much as possible.

A reminder to everyone to be vigilant for those pesky brown woolly caterpillars. They have started to move around.

Our guest speaker for the day was John Gay, a very knowledgeable orchid grower from Murray Bridge and known to many of us. His informative talk was on Epidendrums (crucifix orchids) that are somewhat forgotten amongst the larger showy orchids. They are now available in 50 different shades and the dwarf ones are very appealing and easier to contain. John showed us some little tricks with kakis and potting on. Also how to reshape and make use of the broken parts of black plastic pots to help other plants and tips for the use of wire coat hangers and parts thereof. A most interesting and enjoyable presentation for all. John was presented with a gift in appreciation from the members.

In the Benched Plants Display there was only one Cymbidium but a wide range of other orchids in both type and colour. John Gay gave the Plant Commentary. The Popular Plant Vote went to *Cym. tracyanum* grown by Peter & Geraldine Flavel. A beautiful plant with a nice show of many spikes.

The plant raffles continued the day and this was followed by Afternoon Tea. A good time was had by all and the sun was shining on us for July.



Next Daytime Chapter will meet at Lou Kesting Hall by Dover Square on Thursday 10th August. Beginners class will be at 1.30pm, with the main meeting at 2pm. Our Guest Speaker will be Graham Zerbe talking on Zygopetalums.

Happy gardening to all.

*Coral Tillmanns*  
Daytime Chapter Convenor

Popular Plant of the Day  
*Cym. tracyanum*  
Grown by Peter and Geraldine Flavel



## **SOUTHERN REGION MEETING** **Sunday 16th July 2017**

Geoff Spear, Senior Vice President, opened the meeting at 2 pm welcoming members, a visitor Mary Yelland and our Guest Speaker, Wendy Lodge. Three new members, Andrew Craig, Diane Cawley and Tony Butcher were presented with their name badges and plants. Geoff informed members of the coming events within the Club.

**Apologies:** Raelene Gardner, Helen Humphries and John Beckman

**Birthday:** Andrew Craig

**Lucky Door Prize:** Ruth Tugwell

**Guest Speaker:** Wendy Lodge gave a very interesting presentation on her and Michael's, (her husband) recent trip to Singapore. First the actual trip and then some wonderful Orchids. On the way home they visited Darwin with trips to Aboriginal Rock Art, Cruises, Bush walking, Orchids, etc. Then onto the Ghan to come home, with a bus trip around Alice Springs. Thank you for sharing this with us Wendy.

**Judging:** Noel Oliver provided the judging results and gave a commentary on the orchids presented. Many colourful genera were displayed. Thank you all for sharing your outstanding orchids with us.

**Next Meeting:** Sunday 20th August 2017. Our Guest Speaker will be Trevor Jacob talking about the Sydney Cymbidium Show.

**Popular Vote of the Day**  
**Aliceara Jaqui Louise**  
Grown by Eileen Pinnock



### **SOUTHERN REGION OCTOBER WORKSHOP:**

Please note in your diary: October Workshop. Date and Venue has been changed.

**DATE:** Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2017

**TIME:** 10.30 am

**WHERE:** Carrickalinga House, 17-19 Torrens Street, Victor Harbor.

We are sorry if this inconveniences anyone. Everything will be the same, BBQ etc. Guest Speakers are organised and will be notified later.

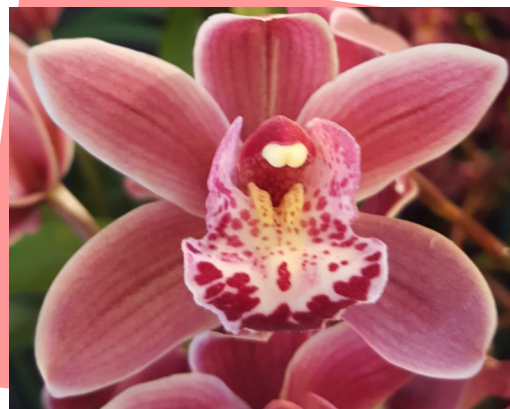
### **SOUTHERN REGION SHOW:**

Thursday 24th August to Sunday 27th August  
R.S.L. Hall, Coral Street, Victor Harbor

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|----------|----------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Thursday | 24th Aug | 12.00-4.00pm | Put In Time 9am | Judging 10am |
| Friday   | 25th Aug | 8.30-4.00pm  |                 |              |
| Saturday | 26th Aug | 7.30-4.00pm  |                 |              |
| Sunday   | 27th Aug | 9.30-3.00pm  |                 |              |



**Orchid of the Day and  
Orchid of Second Division**  
*Cymbidium* Unknown 'Ruby'  
Grown by Genny & Dudley Huxtable



### **Reminder:**

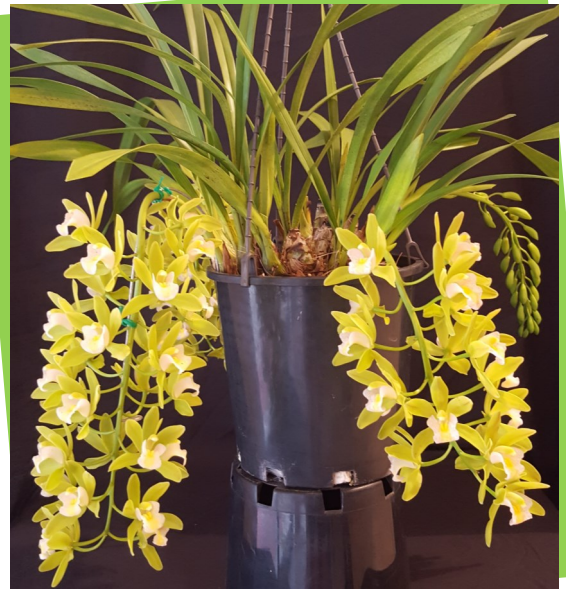
Southern Region Show 24th– 27th August 2017 (see above for details)



## Orchid of First Division

*Cymbidium* Sarah Jean 'Babylon'

Grown by Eileen Pinnock



## South Region July Results List

| Ref. No.  |  |                               | Points Awarded |
|---|--|-------------------------------|----------------|
| <b>First Division</b>                               |  |                               |                |
| <b>Australian Native Epiphyte - Hybrid</b>          |  |                               |                |
| 897   | Den. Star of Gold                            | Shirley & Don Greig (1128)    | 3              |
| <b>Cymbidium under 60 White Cream Yellow Green</b>  |  |                               |                |
| 900   | Cym. Sarah Jean 'Babylon'                    | Eileen Pinnock (519)          | 3              |
| <b>Laeliinae - Standard under 100mm</b>             |  |                               |                |
| 899   | Rth. Jungle Jumbalaya                        | Shirley & Don Greig (1128)    | 3              |
| <b>Oncidiinae - Hybrid &gt; 60mm</b>                |  |                               |                |
| 901   | Alcra. Jacqui 'Louise'                       | Eileen Pinnock (519)          | 3              |
| 902   | Dgmra. Olympia 'Jacqui'                      | Ruth Tugwell (613)            | 2              |
| <b>Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Species</b> |  |                               |                |
| 903   | Arpo. spicatum                               | Shirley & Don Greig (1128)    | 2              |
| <b>Second Division</b>                              |  |                               |                |
| <b>Australian Native Epiphyte - Hybrid</b>          |  |                               |                |
| 880   | Den. Jonathon's Glory                        | Sid James (170)               | 3              |
| 881   | Den. (Colonial Surprise x Bicentennial Gyna) | Sid James (170)               | 2              |
| <b>Australian Native Terrestrial - Hybrid</b>       |  |                               |                |
| 885   | Ptst. Ruckman                                | Reg & Elsie Clifford (567)    | 3              |
| <b>Australian Native Terrestrial - Species</b>      |  |                               |                |
| 882   | Ptst. curta                                  | Reg & Elsie Clifford (567)    | 3              |
| 883   | Ptst. curta                                  | Reg & Elsie Clifford (567)    | 2              |
| 884   | Ptst. nutans                                 | Reg & Elsie Clifford (567)    | 1              |
| <b>Cymbidium over 90mm Red Pink Brown</b>           |  |                               |                |
| 887   | Cym. Via Lunagrad 'Reynella'                 | Steven Davey (903)            | 3              |
| 889   | Cym. Willunga Eye Catcher x Winter Wonder)   | Sid James (170)               | 2              |
| <b>Cymbidium under 60 Red Pink Brown</b>            |  |                               |                |
| 890   | Cym. unknown 'Ruby'                          | Genny & Dudley Huxtable (279) | 3              |
| 891   | Cym. unknown                                 | Sid James (170)               | 2              |
| <b>Laeliinae - Species</b>                          |  |                               |                |
| 886   | Enc. ciliare                                 | Gary Clark (224)              | 3              |
| <b>Oncidiinae - Hybrid &lt; 60mm</b>                |  |                               |                |
| 895   | Onc. Sweet Sugar 'Million Dollar'            | Sid James (170)               | 3              |
| 896   | Onc. Twinkle 'Pink Profusion'                | Sid James (170)               | 2              |
| <b>Oncidiinae - Hybrid &gt; 60mm</b>                |  |                               |                |
| 892   | Burr. Guyann Shin 'Coffee'                   | Gary Clark (224)              | 3              |
| 893   | Brat. Aztec 'Toni'                           | Sid James (170)               | 2              |
| 894   | Alcra. Tahoma Glacier 'Green'                | Sid James (170)               | 1              |

## **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° to remind us that Winter is starting to lose 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 the effects of botrytis is 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 and 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 and 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.



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 your 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 but little and often is the key.



storage organs like some of the caned and pseudobulb featured orchids hence they need constant moisture. They resent any salt build up in their mix so regular flushing with pure rain water is beneficial. They also like to be re-potted on a regular basis to keep them moving and once a year is not too often.

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 the 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 or 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 the cover they need to avoid environmental damage. Pest numbers are still down but it won't be long before their numbers increase. Observe plants 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 is about ready to begin.

*Steve Howard*

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

**THE SOUTH COAST ORCHID CLUB OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA:** Meets on the first Wednesday of the month at St. Bernadette's Church Hall corner of Walsh Avenue and South Road, St. Mary's. Beginners Class starts at 7.15p.m., meeting at 8.00p.m.

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

**THE SOUTHERN 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 Adelaide West Uniting Church Hall, 312 Sir Donald Bradman Drive, Brooklyn Park 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.

### **Our Affiliated Clubs:**

**The Murray Bridge and Districts Orchid Club.**

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