



THE SOUTH COAST ORCHID CLUB OF SA INC.

Gazette

August 2021

Patron: Coralie Hills FAOC
President: Michael Willoughby

AT A GLANCE

The next General Meeting of the South Coast Orchid Club of SA will be held on Monday 9th August 2021 at the RSL Hall, 4 Prince George Parade, Colonel Light Gardens. Our Guest Speaker will be Kevin McLean speaking on Laboratory Processes.

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 at Lou Kesting Hall, off Broadway, South Brighton on Thursday 12th August 2021 at 2.00 pm. Our Guest Speaker will be Laurie Carter speaking on Fertilizers.

SOUTHERN REGION: The next meeting will be held at 2.00 pm on Sunday 15th August 2021 in Carrickalinga House, 17-19 Torrens Street, Victor Harbor. Our Guest Speaker will be Ron Parish speaking on Jewel Orchids. Learners Group will be held at 1.15 pm.

SOUTHERN REGION SHOW: The Southern Region Show will be held on 19th to 21st August 2021 in the Victor Central Shopping Centre. See later in the Gazette for details.

NEW MEMBERS: We welcome back Peter Haltis and Steven Davey. May your time with the Club be a happy one with lots of orchids to enjoy.

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.



DEADLINES FOR NEXT GAZETTES
29 August and 26 September

Den. Asternova Snowflake
Grown By Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju



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LIFE MEMBERS

* denotes Member who has passed away.

1978 Dulcie Grave *	1986 Harry Viney *	2009 Don Biebrick
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1978 L. & H. Poole*	1989 Helen Edwards	2010 Dorothy Carassai
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1979 Bernie Hanson*	2005 Merve Steele *	2015 Lesley Fenton
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 Meeuwsen
	2008 Geoff and Lucy Spear	

SUBSCRIPTIONS:

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

RATES – One membership covers all groups

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

Rural and Interstate Membership

Family Membership	\$34.00
Single Membership	\$28.00

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(Use your grower number for Reference)

Account No.: 545457040

President's Message



I hope that everyone is well and safe in this COVID - 19 lockdown that we are currently experiencing. Our Winter Show (July 24th - July 25th) at The Aberfoyle Park Community Centre had to be cancelled due to the recent COVID-19 outbreak. Considering the weather on that weekend it may have been a blessing in disguise.

Last month we were treated to a presentation by Nicky Zurcher from Nicky's Slippers on *Paphiopedilums*. Nicky took us through many different species which grow in different conditions; all we have to do is understand the different conditions for the different species to achieve some success in growing them.

This month we welcome Kevin McLean from Pauline's Laboratory Service who will enlighten us on the processes that are required in Laboratory work. This will be very interesting as this is where nearly all new collections start as wild plants cannot be collected as it is illegal and some species are covered by CITES (a higher protection).

The Southern Region Show is being held at the Victor Central Shopping Centre, 274 Torrens Street, Victor Harbor (near Woolies) from the 19th to 21st August this year 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.

Successful growing and showing

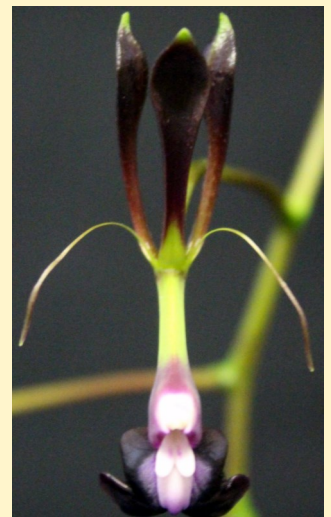
Michael Willoughby

UNUSUAL PLANT OF MONTH - *Epidendrum melanoporphyreum*

Michael Willoughby and Oui Ju brought in this unusual little orchid last meeting as a seedling. *Epidendrum melanoporphyreum* also called the Black-purple Epidendrum occurs in Peru in scrub forests at 1700 m. It is terrestrial, lithophytic and epiphytic. It is clump forming with growths 30-70cm tall. Fleshy roots are produced at the base of the stem which is simple, straight, terete and reed-like. 7-14 elliptic leaves, 6-12 cm long, with sharply pointed tips are distichously arranged around the stem, they are olive green on the top and purple on the underside.

Inflorescence is 15-25 cm long and emerges from the apex of mature stem. Flowers are carried in a suberect panicle with several spreading branches. Each flower has a thin ovary 2.4-4 cm long. Up to 25 flowers per inflorescence deep purple to almost black. Base of column is green whilst apex and disc on the lip are violet. Sepals are olive green overlaid with chocolate brown. The spreading threadlike petals are green overlaid with deep purple.

There has been limited use of this species in hybridising with six primary hybrids and 9 offspring in total. The species has been awarded in Brazil, Germany and America with nine awards granted including 2 AM and several cultural awards..



CHANGES TO THE CONSTITUTION

To be able to make payments by Electronic Funds Transfer and computer banking, the Constitution needs to be changed. The Constitution at present reads as follows:

PAYMENTS

Clause 23. All payments by the Club shall be made by order of Committee and all payments in excess of \$50.00 (or such other amount as Committee shall fix from time to time by resolution) shall be paid by cheque signed by two of the three selected signatories.

It is proposed to add the following two statements to this clause:

All payments by the Club shall be made as set out in the Constitution, however, where it is deemed necessary by the Committee, methods of payment may also include advances in technology, such as computer banking and electronic funds transfers for methods of payment.

Every effort should be made to prevent any unauthorized transactions and all reasonable steps should be taken to ensure the security of all cards and their code (PIN/Password).

NOTICE OF MEETING to discuss and consider this amendment is officially given with this Gazette to be discussed on Monday 13th September 2021



All dressed up and nowhere to go.

Anne and Phil Steer put on their own display when the Winter Show was cancelled due to the COVID lockdown.



ORCHID CALENDAR 2021

[These dates are subject to COVID-19 directives]

GENERAL MEETING

Monday 9th August 2021 8.00 pm
RSL Hall 4 Prince George, Parade Colonel Light Gardens
Guest Speaker: Kevin McLean speaking on Laboratory Processes.

COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday 11th August 2021 7.30 pm

DAYTIME CHAPTER

Thursday 12th August 2021 2.00 pm
Lou Kesting Hall, Dover Square, Brighton South
Guest Speaker: Laurie Carter speaking on Fertilizers.

SOUTHERN REGION MEETING

Sunday 15th August 2021 2.00 pm
Carrickalinga House, Victor Harbor
Guest Speaker: Ron Parish speaking on Jewel Orchids.
(Ron is "Coming Back" to Southern Region as he was at the very first Southern Region meeting with Murray Baulderstone.)

SOUTHERN REGION SHOW

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

SPRING SHOW

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

SOUTHERN REGION SHOW Thursday 19th to Saturday 21st August 2021 VICTOR CENTRAL SHOPPING CENTRE 274 Torrens Street, Victor Harbor

Please remember the current health directive for COVID 19 will apply to our site. You will be required to sign in. The Committee needs the assistance of the members to volunteer to help on the Trading Table. See Shirley or Margaret if you are able to help.

Sell your surplus plants on the Trading Table, ask Anne for swing tickets and selling sheets.

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

PUT IN: Wednesday 18th August 4.30 pm.

People are needed to set up of the display and trading table areas near Woolies. This will entail bringing in the crates, tables, canvas covering etc. from the trailer, to build the Show Stand.

Plants for Display & plants for Trading Table should not be brought in until 5.00 pm.

TAKE OUT: Saturday 21st August 5.00 pm.

SOUTHERN GROUP SHOW SCHEDULE 2021

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

SOUTHERN GROUP SHOW SCHEDULE 2021

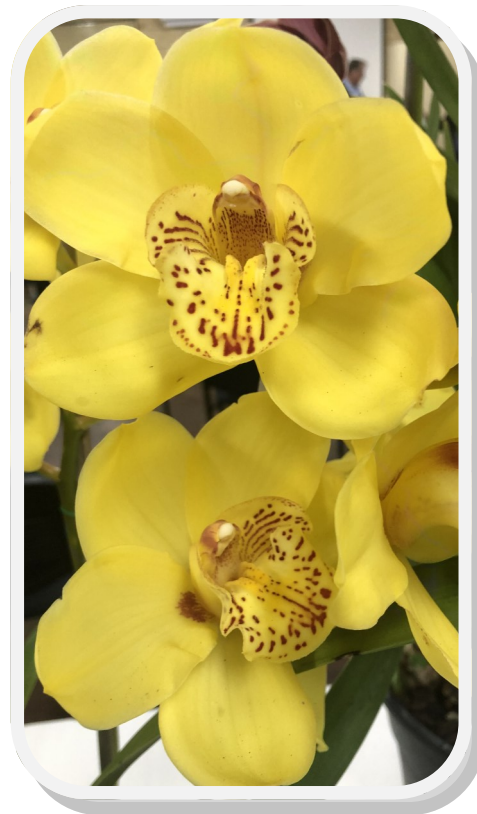
CARD CLASSES NOT FOR PROMOTION – CARD ONLY	PROMOTIONAL CLASS PRIZE MONEY	GENERA & DIVISIONAL CHAMPIONS (PRIZE MONEY)
Phalaenopsis. Standard Hybrid. Non Standard Hybrid. Dendrobium Other than Aust. Native. Hybrid.	Best Phalaenopsis Best Den. other than Aust. Native	Champion Any Other Genus
Vandaeae. Standard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

THE GRAND CHAMPION IS SELECTED FROM GENERA CHAMPIONS

TROPHIES : VICTOR HARBOR TROPHY FOR GRAND CHAMPION

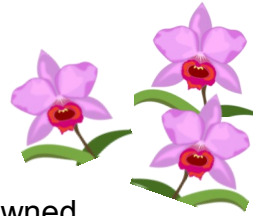
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THE NOEL OLIVER TROPHY FOR BEST AUSTRALIAN NATIVE



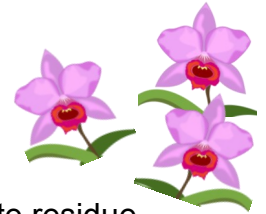
Cym. Yellow River
Grown by Sid James

EXHIBITORS' RULES FOR SHOWS



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

PREPARING ORCHIDS FOR SALE



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

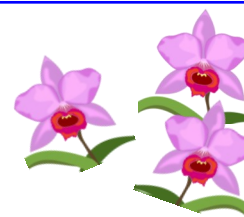


Happy Birthday

**HENRY HANCOCK, GRAHAM ZERBE,
CRAIG DICKER, ELSIE CLIFFORD,
VERONICA WALSH, LYN HEYSEN**



Is your name in the Birthday Book ??



July Results List

Ref. No.

Points Awarded

Open Division

Australian Native Terrestrial - Species

2908	Acianthus pusillus	Jane & Don Higgs (1302)	3
2909	Ptst. sanguinea	Jane & Don Higgs (1302)	2

Cymbidium 60 - 90mm - Species

2906	Cym. erythraeum 'Paradise'	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	3
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Cymbidium 60 - 90mm All colours in Non-std

2905	Cym. Arachnid 'Seaview'	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	3
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Laeliinae - Species

2910	Epi. melanoporphyreum	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	3
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Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Hybrid

2915	Ctsm. Lovena	Richard & Beryl Wilson (321)	3
2916	Den. Asternova Snowflake	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	2

Orchid Seedling - any Genera

2918	Epi. melanoporphyreum	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	3
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Paphiopedilum - Species

2911	Paph. villosum 'Orchidhaven'	Jane & Don Higgs (1302)	3
2912	Paph. venustum	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	2
2913	Paph. venustum	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	1

Specimen Species or Hybrid

2919	Cym. Arachnid 'Seaview'	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	3
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First Division

Australian Native Epiphyte - Hybrid

2888	Den. Aussie Victory	Phil and Anne Steer (514)	3
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Cymbidium 60 - 90mm All colours in Non-std

2891	Cym. Gentle Touch 'Bon Bon'	Laurie & Susan Carter (1303)	3
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Cymbidium over 90mm All colours inc Non-std

2890	Cym. Valley Splash 'Feathered'	Adrian Bockmann (278)	3
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Cymbidium under 60 All Colours inc Non-std

2892	Cym. Cherry Blossom	Laurie & Susan Carter (1303)	3
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Laeliinae - Species

2889	Psh. cochleata	Phil and Anne Steer (514)	3
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Oncidiinae - Hybrid < 60mm

2893	Rnc. Pacific Paranoia	Laurie & Susan Carter (1303)	3
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Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Hybrid

2894	Den. Amphion Miletus	Laurie & Susan Carter (1303)	3
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Second Division

Australian Native Epiphyte - Hybrid

2895	Den. Avril's Gold	Janet Adams & Gordon Ninnes (1195)	3
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Australian Native Terrestrial - Species

2898	Corybas diemenicus	Beth Stronach (836)	3
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Cymbidium over 90mm All colours inc Non-std

2900	Cym. Dream Blaze	Coral Tillmanns & Trevor Kenny (212)	2
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Cymbidium under 60 All Colours inc Non-std

2901	Cym. Gareth 'Latangor'	Janet Adams & Gordon Ninnes (1195)	3
2902	Cym. Unknown	Colin, Judy, Alex MacDonald (202)	2

Oncidiinae - Hybrid < 60mm

2903	Onc. Tsiku Marguerite	Coral Tillmanns & Trevor Kenny (212)	3
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Zygopetalinae - Hybrid

2904	Z. Blackii 'Negus'	Janet Adams & Gordon Ninnes (1195)	3
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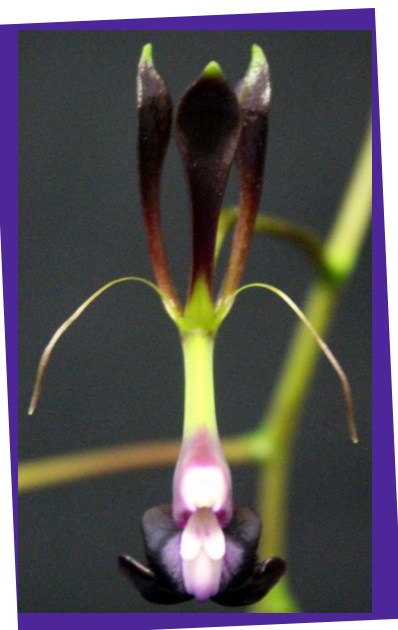
PLANT COMMENTARY – JULY 2021

Orchid of Open Division and Plant of the Night

The plant chosen by the Judges was a very well grown plant of *Paph. villosum* 'Orchidhaven' grown by Jane & Don Higgs.

This was a spectacular plant with 6 glossy flowers evenly spaced and displayed in the pot. The high gloss of the flowers gives it a very striking appearance. This plant was awarded in 2016 and received an HCC/AOC with 77.3 points. *Paph. villosum* has been awarded on 137 occasions and has been used to produce 19,600 progeny.

Well done Jane & Don.



Seedling of the Night

Epi. melanoporphyreum

Grown by Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju

Photos Neil Cooper



PLANT COMMENTARY – JUNE 2021 cont ...



Orchid of First Division

The Plant of First Division was a very well grown plant of *Den. Aussie Victory* grown by Phil & Anne Steer.

This plant was carrying 7 spikes of gold flowers with dark red overlay on the outer parts of the segments. The flowers were standing clear of the foliage. An older hybrid that has been used in a number of progeny (231). It is a second generation hybrid and has *Den. tetragonum*, *Den. kingianum*, *Den. fleckeri* and *Den. speciosum* in its breeding.

Well Done Anne & Phil.



Orchid of First Division

Den. Aussie Victory

Grown By Anne & Phil Steer

Photo Neil Cooper

Orchid of Second Division

The plant chosen by the Judges was a lovely plant of *Onc. Tsiku Marguerite 'Chian-Tzy Yearning'* grown by Coral Tillmanns and Trevor Kenny.

A lovely display of petite pink flowers standing out from the foliage and evenly spaced around the plant. At first sight it looked very much like *Onc. Twinkle*. Further investigation revealed that it is closely related to Twinkle, with *Onc. Twinkle* being one of the parents with the other parent being *Onc. sotoanum* (which is a parent of *Onc. Twinkle*.)

Congratulations Coral & Trevor.



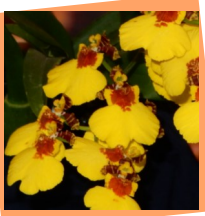
Orchid of Second Division

Onc. Tsiku Marguerite 'Chian-Tzy Yearning'
Grown by Coral Tillmanns & Trevor Kenny

Photo Neil Cooper

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

Phil Steer
Registrar



DAYTIME CHAPTER

Thursday 8th July, 2021



Hi everyone,

The July meeting of the Daytime Chapter was slightly down on attendances of previous months, and also affected by Covid. Our publicised guest speaker, Jane Higgs, was in quarantine after a holiday in Queensland, so **Roger Herraman** kindly agreed to “fill the void”

As you may remember, Roger was due to speak in May, however that meeting was cancelled due a power outage, and we missed out on his talk! Roger was very well received; sharing his experiences over 50 years of orchid growing, and showing us photos of his successes. A lively Q&A session followed where he discussed topics ranging from potting materials, fertilisers, watering regimes, to plant diseases and pests.



Roger also gave us a well-informed plant commentary, where the Plant of the Day was again taken out by Coral Tillmanns, this time with her ***Onc. Tsiku Marguerite*** ‘Chian Tzy Yearning’



Cym.
Rosefieldense



A busy trading table followed the formalities capped off with a cuppa and biscuits

Next Meeting : **Thursday August 12th**, 2 pm , Lou Kesting Hall,
South Brighton.
Guest Speaker: **Laurie Carter** speaking on Fertilisers

Andrew Dean



SOUTHERN REGION MEETING Sunday 18th July 2021

Convenor, Chris Heysen, opened the meeting at 2.05pm welcoming the 21 members and guests present. Chris gave a special welcome back to Ruth Tugwell and Dianne Cawley who have both been unwell in recent times.

Apologies: Bev Gay, Veronica Walsh, Anne Bourne, Tony Butcher, Marilyn Jelf and Sid James. Sid is now home but still recovering.

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

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

New Member: Chris welcomed new member Julia Mumford and presented her with her plant and the Club Constitution.

Guest Speaker: Our Guest Speaker was Jane Higgs whose presentation on what judges look for when judging plants both on the show bench and for awards was extremely interesting. Jane followed this with a demonstration of how to clean up a plant (in this case a Cymbidium) and prepare it for the show bench. There were many useful tips and hints about presentation and preparation. If members follow these tips the plants on our show benches will look even better in the future.

Announcements:

Winter Show: - Saturday 24th July to Sunday 25th July at Aberfoyle Community Centre. The Club welcomes both volunteer helpers and plants for exhibition at this show. Our Registrar Phil Steer has volunteered to take plants back to Adelaide for those wishing to exhibit in this show.

Our own **Southern Region Show** will be held in Victor Central from Thursday 19th August to Saturday 21st August. We will require assistance to set up the display area, etc. on Wednesday afternoon (18th August) and to assist during the 3 days of the show with selling plants and ensuring our site is secure. Shirley Grieg has a roster and will be going to all members to see when they can assist. **See page 5 for more details of put in, etc.**

Birthday Prize: Andrew Craig
Lucky Name Badge: Dianne Cawley

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

Judging: was carried out by Don Higgs, John Gay and Phil Steer. Christine Robertson undertook the data entry.

Judges Commentary: Phil Steer.



Chris Heysen
0419 386 769

The **Next Meeting** will be on Sunday August 15th – with guest speaker **Ron Parish** who will be speaking about Jewel Orchids. These very interesting plants are quite unique – being grown for their foliage rather than their flowers. Ron is also coming home to the Southern Region Group as he was present at the very first Southern Region meeting with Maurie Baulderstone.

The meeting closed at 3:25pm

July Results List

Ref. No.



Points Awarded

First Division

Australian Native Epiphyte - Hybrid

2936	Den. Gillieston's Royalty	Helen Humphrys (445)	3
2937	Den. Unknown	Sid James (170)	2

Cymbidium 60 - 90mm All colours in Non-std

2954	Cym. Valley Olympic 'Pink Perfection'	Helen Humphrys (445)	3
2955	Cym. Without Peer 'Soft Touch'	Helen Humphrys (445)	2
2956	Cym. Sleepy Sarah 'Yellow Delight'	Shirley & Don Greig (1128)	1

Cymbidium over 90mm All colours inc Non-std

2951	Cym. Yellow River	Sid James (170)	3
2952	Cym. Dural Snow 'Purity'	Sid James (170)	2
2953	Cym. Grand Monarch	Helen Humphrys (445)	1

Cymbidium under 60 All Colours inc Non-std

2959	Cym. Fatal Beauty 'Rosalie'	Helen Humphrys (445)	3
2957	Cym. My Sweet 'Amy'	Helen Humphrys (445)	2
2958	Cym. Unknown	Sid James (170)	1

Laeliinae - Cluster

2939	Ctt. Adelaide Ablaze 'Fiery Gold'.	Eileen Pinnock (519)	3
2940	Ctt. Porcia 'Cannizaro'	Helen Humphrys (445)	2

Laeliinae - Non Standard

2941	Rlc. Westfieldensis	Shirley & Don Greig (1128)	3
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Laeliinae - Standard over 100mm

2938	Rlc. Memoria Crispin Rosales 'No 2'	Helen Humphrys (445)	3
2942	Rlc. Pastoral 'Innocence'	Chris and Lyn Heysen (1140)	2
2943	Rth. Burdekin Starbright x Rlc. Shin Shiang	Chris and Lyn Heysen (1140)	1

Oncidiinae - Hybrid > 60mm

2947	Wilhelmara Olympia 'Jacqui Louise'	Eileen Pinnock (519)	3
2948	Ons. Unknown	Sid James (170)	2
2949	Alcra. Tahoma Glacier 'Green'	Sid James (170)	1

Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Hybrid

2944	Pda. Cedric Saunders	Chris and Lyn Heysen (1140)	3
2945	Phal. Unknown 'Minnamoora Pink'	Chris and Lyn Heysen (1140)	2
2946	Phal. Unknown 'Phyl's White'	Chris and Lyn Heysen (1140)	1

Paphiopedilum - Species

2950	Paph. insigne	Sid James (170)	3
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Second Division

Australian Native Epiphyte - Hybrid

2926	Den. speciosum	Genny & Dudley Huxtable (279)	3
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Cymbidium 60 - 90mm All colours in Non-std

2932	Cym. Ruby Valley	Genny & Dudley Huxtable (279)	3
2933	Cym. Mini Mint 'Green Mist'	Margaret & Warren Yelland (350)	2

Cymbidium over 90mm All colours inc Non-std

2929	Cym. Tracey Reddaway 'Marie'	Margaret & Warren Yelland (350)	3
2930	Cym. Valley Olympic 'Pink Perfection'	Andrew Craig (743)	2
2931	Cym. (Cronulla x Chocarunta)	Genny & Dudley Huxtable (279)	1

Cymbidium under 60 All Colours inc Non-std

2934	Cym. Mary Green 'Caffe Latte'	Genny & Dudley Huxtable (279)	3
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Laeliinae - Cluster

2927	Ctt. Porcia 'Cannizaro'	Margaret & Warren Yelland (350)	3
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Laeliinae - Non Standard

2928	Bc. Marg Putman	Genny & Dudley Huxtable (279)	3
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Laeliinae - Standard under 100mm

2925	C. Unknown	Bob Clayton (143)	3
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Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Hybrid

2935	Phal. Unknown	Alan Clayton (426)	3
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SOUTHERN REGION PLANT COMMENTARY

Well!! An Excellent benching of great quality and well flowered Orchids and a good variety of Genera across both divisions.

Orchid of First Division and Plant of the Day

The plant selected by the Judges was grown by Eileen Pinnock. It was *Wilhelmara Olympia* 'Jacqui Louise'.

It was a very well grown plant with two lovely spikes of flowers standing tall above the foliage. They were delicate flowers of pastel pinks on upright spikes.

Congratulations Eileen.



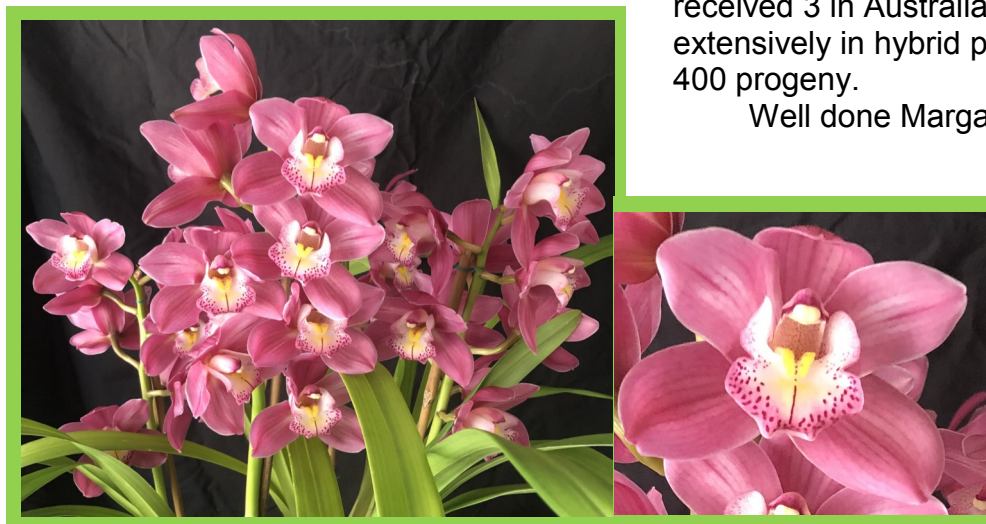
Orchid of Second Division

The plant of Second Division was *Ctt. Porcia* 'Cannizaro' shown by Margaret & Warren Yelland.

The plant had two tall inflorescences each carrying multiple flowers of dark pink with a contrasting white throat.

The plant was in excellent health and well grown. In terms of awards it has garnered 26 awards internationally, however it has only received 3 in Australia. It has been used quite extensively in hybrid production with some 400 progeny.

Well done Margaret & Warren.



Popular Vote
Cym. Valley Olympic
'Pink Perfection'

Grown by
Helen Humphrys

Thanks to Christine for the computer recording and Don & John for Judging.
Keep up the Excellent work !

Phil Steer
Registrar

MASDEVALLIAS AND THEIR CULTIVATION by Alan Hope

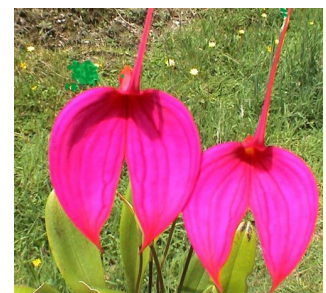
Masdevallias, of which there are around 400 different species, belong to the Pleurothallidinae family. This large group of plants is found in central and south America, particularly in Colombia, Peru, Bolivia and Ecuador. *Masdevallia veitchiana* and *Masdevallia coccinea* are two excellent examples, having lovely foliage and large, almost fluorescent blooms. Although Masdevallias are found in the tropics, they grow at quite high altitudes and therefore need to be grown under cool to cold conditions in a protected shade house or unheated glasshouse.

Masdevallia veitchiana, found chiefly in Peru, is an excellent plant for beginners and experienced growers alike. It grows quickly into a specimen plant and is quite spectacular when several flowers bloom together usually between spring and summer. *Masd. veitchiana* prefers a cool, moist location but, like most orchids, requires good light to flower consistently. In poor light the flower stems tend to be weak, causing the flowers to droop. Summer time can trouble Masdevallias, because they prefer shade and lower temperatures rather than strong sunlight and extreme heat. Keep *Masdevallia veitchiana* in a cool and well-shaded spot during our hottest days and you will be rewarded with a fine looking plant and beautiful orange flowers on tall stems.



Masdevallia veitchiana

Masdevallia coccinea is a lovely Colombian species which grows at an altitude of 2500-3000 m. It is an attractive plant with glossy green leaves and has large flowers in shades of pink, purple, cerise, yellow or white. An excellent variety is *Masdevallia coccinea* var. *Harryana*, which has tall flower stems and well shaped, almost fluorescent flowers.



Masdevallia coccinea

Masdevallia coccinea and *Masd. veitchiana* have similar cultural requirements.

Another attractive species is *Masdevallia angulata*, which produces pendulous, pink/purple-spotted flowers. A cool grower, it requires good air movement and humidity, plus slightly stronger light to flower at its best.



Masd. angulata

Masd. barlaeana is another interesting species with growth that tends to creep along the top of the mix. It produces bright red flowers on an upright stem and soon forms an attractive specimen plant. *Masd. barlaeana* 'Harold' is often available, but some growers find it reluctant to flower.



Masd. barlaeana

Masdevallia towarensis is an eye-catching, white-flowering plant from Venezuela, its flower stems producing multiple blooms. The old flower stems should be left on the plant as they usually produce flowers several times over a period of three to four years.



Masd. towarensis



Masd. bicolor



Masd. uniflora



Masd. infracta



Masd. amabilis



Masd. ignea



Masd. triangularis



Masd. floribunda

Hybrids. There are now over 400 registered hybrids and some of these produced since 1980 are spectacular. *Masdevallia veitchiana* is a parent of many hybrids and tends to pass on its good characteristics to its offspring. *Masd. veitchiana* x *Masd. angulata* produces *Masd. Prince Charming*; *Masd. veitchiana* x *Masd. floribunda* gives *Masd. Sugar Baby* and *Masd. veitchiana* x *Masd. infracta* gives *Masd. Marguerite*. More recently we have seen second and third-generation hybrids. Some to look for include *Masd. Harlequin*, *Masd. Mary Staal*, *Masd. Sunny Angel*, *Masd. Angel Blush*, *Masd. Angel Glow*, *Masd. Peppermint Glow*, *Masd. Carousel*, *Masd. Joy Edstrom* and *Masd. Kimballiana*.

Repotting Masdevallias. Generally, Masdevallias like to grow into large clumps and they should not be broken up too frequently. When repotting, use larger-sized divisions and re-pot into relatively small pots when the plant is in active growth. Composts can vary from live Sphagnum moss to bark-based mixes. The main requirements are excellent drainage and a mixture which retains some moisture without becoming soggy.

SO! YOU WANT TO NAME AN ORCHID AFTER AUNT ETHEL by Hans Proebsting.

Yes! It is possible to have an orchid named after your Aunt Ethel – or almost anyone else for that matter. Many orchids have been named after people. Some names that you might be familiar with include *Cattleya* (the genus), *Cymbidium lowianum*, *Cymbidium hookerianum*, *Paphiopedilum rothschildianum* and *Vanda sanderiana*. There are a number of ways that naming a plant after a person can be achieved. Three are mentioned here, in decreasing order of difficulty:



Cym. hookerianum AM/OSCOV

1. **A Newly Discovered Species.**

New species of orchids are continually being discovered and described worldwide, including here in Australia. The botanist who first publishes the description of a newly discovered plant generally gets the naming rights. What you need to do is locate such a botanist and convince him/her that Aunt Ethel is worthy of having a plant named after her. If you were to discover a new species yourself, that could also work (yes, hobbyists have been known to discover new species). You might then end up with a newly discovered plant being named *Chiloglottis ethelae*, or *Dendrobium ethelianum*.

2. **A Newly Registered Hybrid.**

Orchid hybrids are registered with the Orchid Registrar of the Royal Horticultural Society (in Britain). If you produce a hybrid that has not been previously registered, you can apply for registration of that hybrid under a name of your choosing (with a few limitations). For example, if you crossed two cymbidiums and successfully produced some seedlings, and that particular hybrid had not previously been registered, you could apply to have it registered as *Cymbidium* Aunt Ethel, or *Cymbidium* Memoria Aunt Ethel if she were a dearly departed aunt. In this instance, you could not use plain *Cymbidium* Ethel, because a hybrid with that name has already been registered.

It often happens that hybridisers don't get around to naming all the crosses they produce. If you come across such a plant, you can apply to have the hybrid registered with a name of your choosing, provided you have the permission of the breeder to do so. With hybrid names, any plants produced using the same cross that you registered will carry the same name regardless of when, where or by whom they are grown.

3. **Naming a Seedling.**

This method is probably the easiest for the hobbyist. Each seedling is unique, and is entitled to carry a name to distinguish it from other seedlings of the same cross. When buying these from a grower or distributor, this individual name will normally not have been applied, and you can select one of your own choosing. Often these seedlings will have only the names of their parents on the tag. For example, if you were to buy a seedling of *Paphiopedilum* (Chrysostom x Lucifer), you would first need to determine the registered name of that cross, which in this case is *Paphiopedilum* Dark Angel.

You can now name your seedling *Paphiopedilum* Dark Angel 'Aunt Ethel' to distinguish it from all other seedlings of *Paphiopedilum* Dark Angel. You can do this yourself ... there is no need to register the name with anyone. At this point, there will be only one plant with that name, but, if at some later stage you are able to divide the plant, or produce clones from it, then all the divisions and clones will carry the same name.



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 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 3rd Sunday of the month.

THE ORCHID CLUB OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA: meets at 8pm in The Enfield Community Centre, 540 Regency Road, Enfield on the 1st Thursday of the month.

Daytime Group: meets from 2.00p.m. to 4.00p.m. in the Enfield Community Centre, 540 Regency Road, Enfield on the 2nd Friday of the month.

THE MURRAY BRIDGE AND DISTRICT ORCHID CLUB: meets at 1.45pm in the Seventh Day Adventist Hall, corner Myall Avenue and Standen Street, Murray Bridge on the 4th Sunday of the month.

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THE SOUTH AUSTRALIAN ORCHIDACEOUS SOCIETY: Meets at the Adelaide West Uniting Church Hall, 312 Sir Donald Bradman Drive, Brooklyn Park from 7.30p.m. on the 3rd Wednesday of the month.

THE NATIVE ORCHID SOCIETY OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA: meets at 7.30p.m. at St. Matthew's Church Hall, Bridge Street, Kensington on the 4th Tuesday of the month.

THE CYMBIDIUM CLUB OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA: Meets at 7.30p.m. at Burnside Community Centre, 401 Greenhill Road, Tasmore on the 4th Wednesday of the month.

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