

## THE ORCHID CLUB OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA INC.



Next Meeting  
Enfield Community Centre,  
540 Regency Road, Enfield  
1<sup>st</sup> March 8:00pm

### PROGRAM - 2012

<u>DATE</u>	<u>PRESENTER</u>	<u>TOPIC</u>
1st March	John or Paul	Neutrog Products
5th April	Wendy Lodge	Awarded Plants
3rd May	Auctioneer	Auction Night

### DAY GROUP MEETINGS

Enfield Community Centre,  
540 Regency Road, Enfield  
(Bus Stop 119 Bus No 300 Circle Line)

2:00pm to 4:00pm

<u>DATE</u>	<u>PRESENTER</u>	<u>TOPIC</u>
9 <sup>th</sup> March	Rod & Judy McRedmond	Local Shade Houses
13 <sup>th</sup> April	Auctioneer	Auction
11 <sup>th</sup> May	Richard Fishlock	Chelsea Flower Show

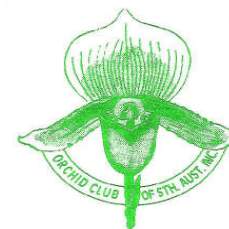
### DIARY DATES FOR THE 2012 SEASON

8th March 2012 6.00pm Bunnings Woodville – Ladies Workshop  
21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2012 “Festival of Flowers” – Enfield Community Centre  
20<sup>th</sup> May 2012 Bunning’s Barbecue – Bunning’s Warehouse Woodville  
26<sup>th</sup> May 2012 Workshop – Enfield Community Centre  
7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> July 2012 “Winter Show” – Enfield Community Centre  
7<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> September 2012 “Spring Show” - R.A. & H.S.  
3<sup>rd</sup>. November 2012 “Socializing with Sarcs” – Enfield Community Centre

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Registrar’s Choice - *Paph. Hamana Wave*  
Grown By Graeme & Maureen Hazledine

## SOUTH AUSTRALIAN ORCHID CLUBS

### ORCHID CLUB OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA - LIFE MEMBERS

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1986	Nick Packard†	2008	Pat Harmer
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1987	Shirley Monkhouse	2009	Edda Viskic
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1988	Kel Staples	2012	Murray Baulderstone
1990	Allan Sullivan†	2012	Leo Micenko
1992	Bill White†		

### NOTES FOR MARCH 2012

Next OCSA Judges Meeting: 14<sup>th</sup> May 2012 at Enfield Community Centre,  
Next Regional Judges Panel Meeting: 19<sup>th</sup> March at Pulteney Grammar School.

### JUDGES ROSTER FOR MARCH 2012

<b>OPEN:</b>	N. Oliver (L)	S. Howard	R. Yates	S. Zerbe (R)
<b>FIRST:</b>	D. Harmer (L)	C. Jennings	J. Lampard	R. Phillips (R)
<b>SECOND:</b>	R. Riggs (L)	J. Gay	K. Minne	G. Shooter (R)
<b>WHAT CAUGHT THE JUDGE'S EYE:</b>		Open	P. Harmer	
		First	R. Shooter	
		Second	G. Zerbe	
<b>RESERVES:</b>			W. Lodge	
<b>COMPUTER:</b>		B. Gay	L. Fenton	
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Registrar's Choice 'FLOWER of the MONTH' digital image by David Harmer.

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## THE 2011 PRESIDENT REPORT



It is with great pleasure that I present the President's Report of 2011. The year was a successful mix of meetings, shows, workshops and activities with a few unexpected events on the side.

The new 2011 committee struggled with both the Editor, G. Zerbe and the Secretary, R. Philips resigning and being replaced by D. Harmer and M. Baulderstone respectively. We carried on and duly produced the Bulletins, the minutes and correspondence associated

with the monthly meetings. Luckily, G.Zerbe had arranged the speakers schedule and this continued smoothly.

They were:

M. Matthews	whose topic was "My Orchid House"
H. Fishlock	Melbourne Flower Show Video
P. Harvey	Will the Murray run dry?
J. Higgs	Growing Native Orchids in S.A.
R. & J. Mc Redmond	Local Shade-houses
P. Hall	<i>Cymbidiums</i> my way
T. Bourne	Fertilizing
K. Trevan	<i>Zygopetalums</i>
K. Hipkins	Royale Orchids
K. Cattermole	Summarizing your Orchids.

The above all spoke at the night meetings. At the day meetings the speakers were:

T. Bourne on the topic	<i>Paphiopedilums</i>
J. Jepp	<i>Pelargoniums</i>
R. Parish	Species and Travels
M. Trimper	Roses
P. & E. Leske	<i>Cymbidiums</i>
R. Herraman	Native <i>Cymbidiums</i>
D. Harmer	Mixed Genera.

These excellent presentations certainly provided a great variety of interest and stimulation for members. The Photo Workshops were both well attended and will be repeated in 2012 thanks to R. Parish. The Festival of Flowers was the best Autumn Show ever. Special thanks to the Photo Competition Coordinator. The May Workshop was very productive with a DVD made of the proceedings. This has since been added to the products available for sale at future events and promotions. The Winter Show was also a well patronized and successful event in July in this Hall. The Bus trip south in August visited the National Cymbidium Show at Noarlunga and De Jongs Nursery at Mt. Compass. Much enjoyed events. The opening of the Spring Show by Our Patron Mrs. Liz Scarce was the highlight of the Royal Show, a truly spectacular event.

None of these events would be possible without the teams of workers who made it happen. The Bunnings Sausage Sizzle Teams are to be specially congratulated on their fundraising and networking efforts. The Socializing with Sarcs night was a fun way to end the years special events with K. Hipkins as Speaker. The year was indeed a challenging one and I thank you for your ongoing support. It has been an honour to be the President of OCSA in 2011

*Edda Viskic*

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**Other Genera – Hybrid not listed elsewhere**

1. *Mas.* Copper Angel Russell Job & Edda Viskic

**Other Genera – Species not listed elsewhere**

1. *Ddc. uncatum* Ron & Irene Parish  
 2. *Aerth. gracilis* Ron & Irene Parish  
 3. *Stelis endressi* Ron & Irene Parish

**FIRST DIVISION**

**Cymbidium – under 60mm Red/Pink/Brown**

1. *Cym.* Little Beauty Wendy Lodge

**Laeliinae – Non-Standard Shape Hybrid over 100mm**

1. *C.* Schilleriana Rod & Judy McRedmond

**Laeliinae – Standard Shape Hybrid over 100mm**

1. *C.* [Blc.] Margaret Degenhardt 'Saturn' Rod & Judy McRedmond

**SECOND DIVISION**

**Cymbidium – under 60mm Species**

1. *Cym. dayanum* Allan Stewart

**Laeliinae – Non-Standard Shape Hybrid 60mm to 100mm**

1. *Bc.* [Rolf.] Rustic Spots Allan Stewart

**Laeliinae – Non-Standard Shape Hybrid Cluster**

1. *Ctt.* Kew John Drummond

**Laeliinae – Non-Standard Shape Hybrid over 100mm**

1. *C.* Unknown John Drummond

**Laeliinae - Species**

1. *Gur.* [C.] *bowringiana* (Purple King x *coerulea*) Allan Stewart

**Paphiopedilum – Non-Standard Shape Hybrid**

1. *Paph.* Lynleigh Koopowitz Allan Stewart

Members please check this list:

**WITH YOUR PLANT LABELS**

**THE FOLLOWING ORCHIDS HAVE BEEN REGISTERED PLEASE CHANGE YOUR LABELS TO THE REGISTERED and or NAME**

<u>Grower</u>	<u>Crossing</u>	<u>Registration</u>
86	<i>Ascda.</i> (Chomklao x Viroonchon Gold)	<i>Ascda.</i> Helen's Spotted Gold
196	<i>C.</i> ( <i>bowringiana</i> x Little Angel)	<i>Ctt.</i> Kew



**SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR 2012 ARE NOW DUE**

The committee has decided to keep the annual subscriptions for 2012 the same as they have been in the past. Subscriptions for 2012 will be as follows:

\$35.00 for a Family                      \$30.00 for a Joint                      \$25.00 for a Single

The above does not apply to those members who have taken advantage of the 2011 Spring Show Special. Payment may be made at the treasurer's desk at the Monthly Meeting. Thanking you.  
 Graham Hein Treasurer

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**THOUGHTS FROM THE EDITOR**



Another year of the club has commenced and it was good to see an interesting array of plants benched and many members attending the Annual General Meeting. Once again the committee has endeavoured to fill 2012 with interesting speakers for both the night and day meetings and other events to help and assist members with orchid culture, photography and other activities. I

hope all members will support these events and remember we do need you to help during the year no matter how small the offer. I hope all members have a happy and successful growing year in 2012.

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**Patron Mrs Liz Scarce**

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Plant Stall Convenor	(Spring Show) <b>NEEDED URGENTLY</b>

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Orchids Australia Officer	Russell Job

**Laeliinae – Non-Standard Shape Hybrid over 100mm**

1. *B. nodosa* x *C. leopoldii* Clyde & Cynthia Dally

**Laeliinae - Species**

1. *C. loddigesii* 'Danelle' Richard & Beryl Wilson  
 2. *C. crispa* 'Bruce' Richard & Beryl Wilson  
 3. *Prosthechea radiata* Russell Job & Edda Viskic

**Laeliinae – Standard Shape Hybrid over 100mm**

1. *Rlc.* Hawaiian Passion 'Kermie' Richard & Beryl Wilson  
 2. *Ctt.* Blue Angel 'Executive' Richard & Beryl Wilson

**Laeliinae – Standard Shape Hybrid under 60mm**

1. *C.* [*Slc.*] Dal's Halo Reg & Gill Shooter

**Oncidiinae – Hybrid containing Odontoglossum**

1. *Brs.* Rex Richard & Beryl Wilson

**Oncidiinae – Oncidium Hybrid**

1. *Oncsa.* Gower Ramsey John & Bev Gay

**Paphiopedilum – Maudiae Category**

1. *Paph.* Hamana Wave Graeme & Maureen Hazledine

**Paphiopedilum – Non-Standard Shape Hybrid**

1. *Paph.* Norito Hasegawa Graeme & Maureen Hazledine

**Phalaenopsis/Dor. – Non-Standard Shape Hybrid**

1. *Phal.* Stage Girl Russell Job & Edda Viskic  
 2. *Phal.* Brother Sally Taylor x *Dor. pulcherrima* Russell Job & Edda Viskic

**Phalaenopsis/Dor. – Species**

1. *Phal. pallens* Ron & Irene Parish

**Phalaenopsis/Dor. – Standard Shape Hybrid over 80mm**

1. *Phal.* (Pinkus x Hwafeng Redjewel) Russell Job & Edda Viskic

**Vandaeae – Non-Standard Shape Hybrid**

1. *Sartylis* Blue Knob John & Bev Gay  
 2. *Angem.* Longiscott 'Hihimanu' John & Bev Gay

**Vandaeae – Species**

1. *Neofinitea falcata* Nesbitts Orchids

**Vandaeae – Standard Shape Hybrid**

1. *Vasco.* Pine Rivers 'Blue' Gerald Voskamp  
 2. *Ascda.* Helen's Spotted Gold Iain & Ros Kilpatrick  
 3. *Ascda.* Peggy Foo 'Bright Pink' Iain & Ros Kilpatrick

**Zygopetalinae - Zygopetalum Hybrid**

1. *Prom.* Dinah Albright Iain & Ros Kilpatrick  
 2. *Prom.* (Dinah Albright x Florafest Cheetah) Iain & Ros Kilpatrick  
 3. *Prom.* Partridge Iain & Ros Kilpatrick



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### **BEST ORCHID OPEN DIVISION AND REGISTRAR'S CHOICE**

*Paphiopedilum* Hamana Wave grown by Graeme & Maureen Hazledine

### **BEST ORCHID FIRST DIVISION**

*Cymbidium* Little Beauty grown by Wendy Lodge

### **BEST ORCHID SECOND DIVISION**

*Paphiopedilum* Lynleigh Koopowitz' grown by Allan Stewart

### OPEN DIVISION

#### **Cymbidium – under 60mm Species**

- |                           |                    |
|---------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. <i>Cym. aloifolium</i> | John & Bev Gay     |
| 2. <i>Cym. aloifolium</i> | Ron & Irene Parish |

#### **Dendrobium – Hybrid – Other than Australian Native**

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|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. <i>Den. Ekapol 'Panda'</i> | Garard Bros. Orchids |
| 2. <i>Den. Roy Tokunaga</i>   | Ron Yates            |

#### **Dendrobium – Species – Other than Australian Native**

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|---------------------------|----------------|
| 1. <i>Den. antennatum</i> | Gerald Voskamp |
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#### **Laeliinae – Non-Standard Shape Hybrid 60mm to 100mm**

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|--|---------------------------|
| 1... <i>Ctt. [C.]. Bactia 'Grape Wax'</i>  | Gordon & Coralie Hime     |
| 2. <i>Smbc. Gee Willikers 'Henne Head'</i> | Ron & Irene Parish        |
| 3. <i>C. [Slc.] Fire Magic</i>             | Russell Job & Edda Viskic |

#### **Laeliinae – Non-Standard Shape Hybrid Cluster**

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|---|-----------------------|
| 1. <i>Ctt. [C.]. Bactia 'Grape Wax'</i> | Clyde & Cynthia Dally |
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## GUEST SPEAKER FOR MARCH

Our Guest Speaker for March is a representative from Neutrog. I am sure everyone is aware of the excellent products produced by Neutrog and the great company they are in helping all gardening clubs. Our speaker will be either Paul or John and I know you will enjoy hearing from them; they will have some 'Goodies' to pass onto all those members that attend. Don't miss this one.

### DAY GROUP SPEAKER FOR MARCH

Our Day Group Guest Speakers for March will be Rod & Judy McRedmond speaking on local shade houses. Rod and Judy are members of our club and have been to several local growers taking note of their growing areas and conditions. I am sure we will all learn a lot from this program to help us with our own conditions.

*Pat Harmer & Alan Stewart*

### FEBRUARY DAY GROUP REPORT

40 members and guests enjoyed a wonderful afternoon at our February meeting. Our Guest Speaker Graeme Hazledine gave us a superb presentation on 'Phalaenopsis in Holland'. Graeme & Maureen visited an incredible nursery while on holidays in Holland and showed us how this nursery which is mostly worked automatically sends out between 30,000 & 60,000 plants per week. The plants were grown in 3 different climates starting at 25/26°C to start their growing and then reducing to 18°C for a cool down period to initiate spikes and then back to 22°C for flowering. It was interesting to know that IKEA take 15,000 plants a week. Graeme thank you for a very interesting presentation. We acknowledged our newest members Brenton & Pat Nicholson and presented their badges and information pack. We also welcomed several visitors and wished Judy Penney and Yvonne Arthur speedy recovery from their recent ailments. We had a good array of plants benched representing many different genera. Reg & Ron once again gave their expert commentary. Show dates were advised together with the photographic sessions on the 17<sup>th</sup> March, also the Bunning's BBQ on May 20<sup>th</sup> and our Workshop on May 26<sup>th</sup>. The beginner's group was once again led by Trevor Garard who we thank most sincerely. Next month's beginner's group will be hosted by Ron Yates. A 'cuppa' some good fellowship and a viewing of the orchids was enjoyed after the meeting closed.

*Pat Harmer – Day Group Coordinator*

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### BEGINNER'S GROUP

Because of quite a few new members having joined the club recently it has been decided to reintroduce the Beginner's group at the Thursday night monthly meeting. This will be held in the Crèche commencing at 7.00pm. Trevor Garard will be the presenter and will have Cultural handout information for beginners together with the new member's introductory packs and badges. New members are urged to attend these very informative, casual and friendly get togethers to learn a little more about orchids and be able to ask any questions they may have concerning your own plants.

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**Julia said – “We simply must plan for the future. We have to be more economical. Just think, if I died tomorrow where would we be?”**

## CULTURAL OBSERVATIONS FOR FEBRUARY



We are now into the warmer drier times of the year where we need to watch our watering regimen. Now is also the time, if you use it, to pull over your growing area that extra layer of shade cloth to reduce the intense summer light and also aids in cooling the growing area. If you have not done it yet treat those plants susceptible to dehydration by using Envy™, Drought Breaker™ and Stressguard™ or similar. Make sure you have plenty of dampness on the floor of the growing area to keep up the humidity. Most of the genera we grow now have nice new leads some well advanced so this is the time to think about which plants still require high nitrogen fertilizer and those that now need a 'Flower Booster' or low nitrogen high potassium fertilizer. The condition of the new lead is a clue to when to change. If the lead is soft and floppy and maybe over green in colour then now is the time to change your type of fertilizer to harden the growth. Continue to support new leads with stakes and ties to ensure a tidy plant and thus a good presentation of the flowers will result when flowering occurs.

Continue to keep an eye out for scale, mealy-bug and cockroaches as the humid conditions are kind to these pests, the damp humid conditions in your growing area assists them in their continuous breeding cycles. The dampness on the floor of the growing area which is great for humidity is also pleasing for slugs. They just like to, during the night 'chew' the succulent new lead on your champion orchid. Harvest these slugs and those garlic snails with pieces of lettuce on the floor and also on top of your pots or drench the pots with Mesuro™ to get rid of these pests. Most of the *C. bowringiana* species and hybrids are just starting to produce their flowering sheaths with the small buds forming inside. Keep an eagle eye on these and if any flowering sheath are appearing to yellow or brown then quickly split it open and peel back the sheath to expose the buds and thus eliminate them from rotting. It is preferable if possible to leave the sheath intact as it does support the new flower stem as it elongates. As the flower stems extend from the apex of the new lead support it with a stake and tie to stop it from 'flopping' over. When the flowers are open and the raceme had hardened and set then the stake can be removed. Don't forget the cottonwool barrier around the flower stem and stake to deter any slugs that may have got past our other bait barriers such as pellets, beer, lettuce etc.

You should have completed your *Cymbidium* re-potting as the earlier ones are now producing new leads. Those late ones that flower in December to February will also shortly need re-potting. They produce their new leads as the racemes are dying off. *Paphiopedilum* except the multi-floral will also benefit from new compost. Just shake them carefully to remove the old material as the roots are very brittle. A light squirt with the hose will also remove the old materials. Those *Stanhopea* plants in baskets can also be attended to at this time with a new lining and new compost. This will ensure a great flowering in the coming season. As the weather heats up and the humidity drops watch for the red spider mite as this pest usually appears in the warmer dryer weather. Keep up the regular chores of cleaning debris from the floor, cleaning any water trays and cleaning spray pumps etc. Good growing and we hope to see you with many more of your flowers on the benches and at the Shows.

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as a specimen plant it is not all that large making it easier to handle and transport than a large *Den. speciosum* and is quite a spectacle when very well grown. There appears to be two types of plants around, that is one type that can be short in height with the bulbs being shorter and thicker to about 300mm tall and the other taller plant with thinner pseudobulbs to 450mm long but the flowers are the same on both. The flowers are pure white of heavy substance with contrasting red markings at the base of the column which is the main feature of the flower. The racemes are usually about 120mm long, arching and can carry up to 20 lovely 50mm flowers closely spaced and strongly but pleasantly fragrant. Another advantage is that *Den. falcorostrum* will flower over the years from nodes on bulbs that have flowered previously. Flowering in September and October unfortunately can be a hazard if the weather is hot as this will cause the flowers not to open fully because they are used to the cooler altitude where they come from. In Adelaide growing in a medium of bark and marble chips and in a shadier positions than *Den. speciosum* once acclimatized it will flower every year. If the weather is hot during the flowering period bring the plant into the laundry during the heat of the day and put it outside again at night this will help the flowers to open fully and extend the flower life. Fertilize with HSO native mix at half strength during the growing period and water all the year round.

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## GROWERS OF THE FUTURE



For some time now under the guidance of Richard Fishlock together with the odd helper, students at Urrbrae and Woodville High School have been encouraged to grow and flower orchids. The result of these efforts was seen at the last Spring Show where these schools and individuals showed their plants in the Horticultural Display. On Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March at 1.00pm Richard and Allan Stewart will be starting classes at the Woodville High School and setting up their new shade-house with existing orchids and are asking for the donation of cool growing *Cymbidium*, Australian Native or *Zygopetalum* orchids complete with the donor's name on the label. The school will be providing pizzas, to try out their new oven plus tea or coffee. Come along and support these new young budding growers. If unable to attend please bring a plant to the March monthly meeting and this will be donated to a student and placed in their new shade-house. Allan Stewart.

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## FOR ORCHID LOVERS ONLY

Do you enjoy learning about and understanding the orchids you grow? Do you want to increase your knowledge and gain an appreciation of the various qualities of orchid species and the expectation for hybrids? Or do you just love growing and showing orchids and enjoy the challenge of growing them to their best? If any of these describe you, then you could be a person who should consider finding out more about the AOC Judges Training Course. We are about to start a new Training Course. There will be an afternoon Introductory Session on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2012 to provide you with information and answer your questions, without any obligation for you to make a commitment. If you are at all interested in attending the introductory meeting or would like to find out more please contact the Regional AOC Registrar Roger Rankin, Telephone 8182 2702 or PO Box 278, Salisbury 5108 urgently, to get more details about the meeting.  
Roger Rankin – Regional Registrar

### *Dockrillia wassellii*

This medium sized Australian Native is found in north eastern Queensland in the McIllwraith and Iron Ranges. It grows on Hoop Pine trees mainly but also on other coarse barked trees and occasionally on rocks in situations of bright light in mainly lowland areas. It has short solid erect bulb like leaves widely spaced on strong rhizomes, branching and produces erect long racemes of pure white flowers. Best grown on a slab of cork, tree fern or a Casuarina tree branch and then placed high hanging in bright light with good air movement as it slowly covers the mount both upwards and sideways. In Adelaide because of our cold winters it takes some time for it to grow to a reasonable size plant because it does not particularly like the cold so the plant tends to stop growing during the winter months. The plant is watered when the *Cymbidiums* are watered from the overhead sprinklers and also by the natural rain. The plant is fertilized every now and then with HSO Native mix at half strength during the summer months growing period. Once well established it flowers every year around November/December with many racemes of pure white flowers. Another appealing Australian native orchid to include in your collection that you can grow and flower successfully in your growing area.



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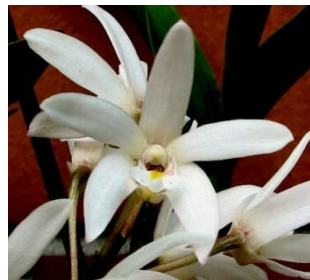
### ANNUAL POPULAR VOTE

Every year at the Annual General Meeting, you the members gets the opportunity to vote for your choice of Registrar's Choice orchids by viewing the 10 monthly meeting 'Orchids of the Night' as selected by the Registrar. This year the Popular Vote went to *Arpophyllum giganteum* a very well grown and presented specimen plant which displayed 20 plus upright inflorescences each displaying many small rose/pink flowers evenly spaced around the stem. This was a stunning eye catching orchid.



Congratulations to Geoff & Lucy Spear on winning this club award.

### *Dendrobium falcorostrum*



This is probably one of the most favoured of the Australian Native orchids. It is sometimes called 'The Beech Orchid' and appropriately because it grows as an epiphyte on Antarctic Beech trees at altitudes of 3,000 to 4,500 feet in Eastern Australia ranging from near Newcastle in New South Wales to just South of Brisbane in Queensland. Very few are found on any other type of tree. In its natural habitat it grows on the main trunk of the tree or close to it where it receives filtered but bright light in the upper limits of the tree but is protected by the trees leaves and more often than not is in full cloud conditions and can experience snow on occasions. In the areas where it is found the plants receive rainfall nearly every month of the year. It slightly pushes out *Dendrobium speciosum* as the most grown and flowered species cultivated by native enthusiasts. Its attributes are that

### SA ORCHID OF THE YEAR 2011

The South Australian Orchid of the Year is selected by ballot by the OCSA Judging Panel at their December Meeting from members Awarded Plants, Orchids of the Month and the Grand Champions of the Festival of Flowers, Winter Show, Spring Show and 'Dining with Sarc's' Shows. It is the most prestigious award for a plant grown by a member of the club. The judges view digital images of the selected plants and where possible view the whole plant, a raceme and then a close up of an individual flower. In the case of a single flowered genus an image of the whole plant and a close up of the flower is viewed. Most of the judges have seen these flowers at the meetings and Shows during the year. The images are viewed several times by the judges and then a ballot is conducted.

The plant selected for **SA Orchid of the Year 2011** was *C. Hawaiian Wedding Song* 'Virgin' grown by John Moon. This was the Champion of the Autumn Show. Congratulations John, this was a very worthy winner of the Award.



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### REGISTRAR'S CHOICE FOR FEBRUARY

The Registrar's Choice and Orchid of Open Division was *Paphiopedilum* Hamana Wave Grown by Graeme and Maureen Hazledine. This hybrid consists of a 'vicolor' *Paph. Maudiae* and *Paph. Joanne's Wine* was presented with a single flower on a very long but somewhat bent stem. This detracted from the excellent flower but this often happens if the grower is away or is unaware of the flowering. The plants foliage showed evidence of 'variegation' which has been noted in 'Maudiae' types previously. The vigorous healthy plant was growing in bark together with some isolite.



The Orchid of First Division was *Cym. Little Beauty* an under 60mm *Cymbidium* grown by Wendy Lodge. The parents of this hybrid orchid are *Cym. Cricket* and *Cym. canaliculatum*. Wendy's plant displayed just 3 inflorescences with a flower counts of 22, 22 and 18. The dark colorations of the flowers made it a real stand out. Some yellowing of the leaves suggested cultivation in high light. This hybrid was registered by the late Rex Johnson of Tasmania.



The Orchid of Second Division was *Paph. Lynleigh Koopowitz* grown by Allan Stewart. This well grown orchid is a primary hybrid of *Paph. delanatii* and *Paph. malipoense*. The delicately coloured flower was held above the foliage on a strong erect stem, parental influences were discernible both in the shape and markings. A well grown and well presented orchid.

Congratulations to the Division winners and to all members who benched plants for the competition.

Ron Yates Registrar of Judges.

## WHAT CAUGHT THE JUDGES EYE IN FEBRUARY



**OPEN DIVISION:** JUDGE: Roger Rankin  
**PLANT NAME:** *Brassia Rex*  
**GROWER:** Richard & Beryl Wilson  
**COMMENTS:** What an amazing display of orchids in Open Division. About forty plants from the very large (probably 1.5 metres tall) to the very small, complete with a magnifying glass to see the flowers. The plant I have chosen is in the medium size, namely *Brassia Rex* grown by Richard & Beryl Wilson. The 5 spidery flowers were 300mm x 150mm. *Brs. Rex* is a primary hybrid *Brs. (verrucosa x gireoudiana)*. *Brassia* orchids have a tendency to flower during the warmer months which means they are more often enjoyed at home rather than at Club Meetings. A great orchid for a Christmas Day table display.



**FIRST DIVISION:** JUDGE: Les Nesbitt  
**PLANT NAME:** *Cym. suavissimum*  
**GROWER:** Graham Hein  
**COMMENTS:** All plants of *Cym. suavissimum* in cultivation are derived from the original collection and are thought to be from Burma near the border of Yunnan Province in China. Because it is less cold tolerant than *Cym. tracyanum* and *Cym. lowianum*, *Cym. suavissimum* was probably collected in the lower valleys near Bhamo at 800 to 1000 metres in evergreen tropical lower elevation montane forest. The plant on the bench had an upright raceme bearing 28 small flowers to about 40mm across. Coloured cream overlaid with red/brown with the labellum being white with yellow keels and a red patch near the tip. A very interesting summer flowering *Cymbidium* for the keen species grower.



**SECOND DIVISION:** JUDGE: David Harmer  
**PLANT NAME:** *Rolfearea Rustic Spots*  
**GROWER:** Alan Stewart  
**COMMENTS:** Two very nice flowers of *Rolfearea Rustic Spots* caught my attention on the Second Division bench. This particular plant is a crossing of *Bl. Richard Mueller* and the primary hybrid *C. Landate*. The parents in the background are very interesting being *Brassavola nodosa*, *Laelia milleri* and *C. aclandiae*. The plant was registered as *Rolfearea Rustic Spots* by H. & R. Nursery, Hawaii in 2000. Since this time the experts have renamed *Laelia milleri* as *C. milleri* and placed it in the *Cattleya* genus section. This now changes the registered name to *Bc. Rustic Spots*. The petals and sepals were a very nice sunset orange colour with fine light red spotting. The labellum nicely flared was a pastel yellow overlaid with red blushing to the edges and then spotted randomly with larger dark red spots with very bright yellow in the throat.

## SOME ORCHID HISTORY

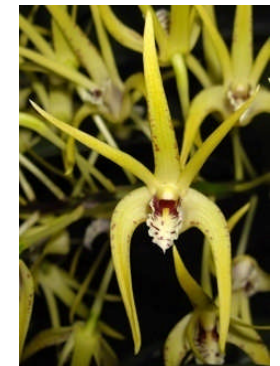
The Orchid Society of New South Wales produced and published the first Australian Orchid Review in January 1936. The Editor was G. H. Slade B.Sc. of Manly and it was issued for a subscription of 6/- per year, post free. The Review was published quarterly and the aim of the Society was to distribute it as widely as possible in the furtherance of that which is regarded as the primary object of the organization – the advancement of all that pertains to orchids. Whilst the Review was the official organ of the Orchid Society of New South Wales, the committee and editor welcomed contributions from members and other Orchid Societies. The Forward for the first issue was written and submitted by Dr. R. S. Rodgers of the University of Adelaide. An interesting item was: *Wife* “Where are the Orchids, didn’t you bring any home” *Husband* (returning home from the monthly meeting) “What orchids”. *Wife*: “The club notice we received said ‘Distribution of Australian Orchids by Rev. H. M. R. Rupp’ I felt sure you would get some”. How things have changed this first edition contained some 22 advertisements not all relating to orchids. Of interest was ‘Beautiful Hosiery by Holeproof’, ‘Dri-glo Towels’, ‘Bond’s Industries Australia Ltd.’ and several other interesting adverts which would have possibly provided a good return to the Society. There were 30 interesting orchid articles printed in the issue.



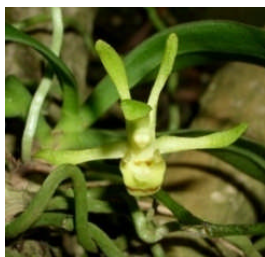
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### WHAT’S IN A NAME - *Dendrobium Hilda Poxon*

*Dendrobium Hilda Poxon* is a well known Australian native hybrid with the unlikely parentage of the large upright *Den. speciosum* crossed with the smaller, pendulous *Den. tetragonum*. The cross was made by Ira Butler sometime in the early 1970s who unfortunately died before they flowered. After his death his large, varied collection was auctioned but nobody was very interested in such a way out crossing as *Den. speciosum* with *Den. tetragonum*. One of the bidders at the auction was Dr Noel Grundon who, seeing the tray of seedlings not being sold, made the only bid, took them home and grew them on. He registered the cross in 1977 as *Hilda Poxon* after the long serving secretary of the local orchid society. When the seedlings started to flower they caused a sensation (at that time there was not a lot of colorful Australian hybrids around). They quickly grew into large plants with long racemes of good shaped yellow, perfumed flowers. The main flush of blooms is usually in spring at show time. However they have the attractive habit of flowering at any time of the year with one or two racemes. It can be said with some confidence that this is the Australian native hybrid that started the ongoing interest in these attractive orchids.



*Reg Shooter*



### *Sarcochilus olivaceous*

*Sarcochilus olivaceous* is one of the widest distributed of the species and is found from Cape York Peninsular to Southern New South Wales. Although variable there are two distinctive forms, namely the southern form found in coastal areas of NSW and the north Queensland form known as the 'borealis' variety which extends from southwest of Cooktown to the Central coastal areas of Queensland. Variety 'borealis' occurs only at higher elevations in heavy rainforests and mainly near

creeks and differs from the southern type vegetatively and florally. The northern type plant is much smaller rarely having more than three to four leaves to about 60mm long. The flowers of 'borealis' are smaller and have redder striping than the southern form and rarely has more than six flowers per inflorescence. The southern form can produce up to eight leaves to about 120mm in length and 40mm wide with a raceme carrying up to 15 perfumed flowers to 25mm across. The average flower count on a well grown plant can be around 12 flowers. This species prefers the coolness of mountain creeks and is often found on the lower trunks of trees around a metre from ground level. With the larger leaves this type seems to thrive in lower light conditions. In the Blue Mountains West of Sydney it is often found growing on rocks with very long roots extending into the surrounding leaf litter. It seems that the best way to grow this plant is on a long narrow mount so that it is not long before the root system has twisted itself around the mount and thus forming a maze of roots. A long lasting mount, cork or casuarina is essential because once established it is almost impossible to remove it from the mount. Fertilizing using ¼ strength of HSO native fertilizer is beneficial and hanging the plant in a cooler darker area than other natives and *oncidiums* suits this genus. This is another challenging gem to add to your growing area.

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### PHOTOGRAPHIC WORKSHOP

Due to popular demand we are again holding workshops this year for those interested in improving their skills at photography. The sessions will be conducted by Ron Parish and we ask you to bring your camera, tripod and instruction book if you have them. Because this is a one on one exercise we feel that a total of 10 people per session is manageable. There will be two sessions available On Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> March. The first will be from 10.00am to 12.00 noon and the next 1.00pm to 3.00pm. There will be booking sheets to put your name on at the monthly and day meetings. There will be another workshop later in the year in October to enable you to further advance your photographic skills. Please phone or put your name on the list provided at the Meetings.

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### DATE AMENDMENTS TO 2012 ALMANAC

Please be advised of the two errors that occurred with the compilation of the 2012 Almanac. The first is the set up from 4.00pm at the Winter Show which should read the 6<sup>th</sup> July. The second is the date of the Orchid Workshop which should read 26<sup>th</sup> May Room 1. Please make these two alterations to your 2012 Almanac.

### HOW THE BEST WERE GROWN

**OPEN DIVISION:** The orchid of this division was a well grown *Paphiopedilum* Hamana Wave presented by Graeme & Maureen Hazledine. The plant was growing in a mixture of small bark and a small quantity of marble chips and it receives HSO *Paphiopedilum* fertilizer once a week. Using rainwater only the plant is watered every 3 days in summer and every 4 to 5 days in winter. The Hazledine's plant is grown in a glass-house with a maximum 32°C and a minimum of 10/12°C controlled by an evaporative air conditioner with misters under the benches in summer and a temperature controlled heater in winter.

**FIRST DIVISION:** *Cymbidium* Little Beauty was the plant bought in by Wendy Lodge with 3 inflorescences of tiny dark red/maroon flowers cascading down the side of the pot. It is grown cold in a shade-house with 70% shade-cloth with extra shade-cloth pulled over the top in the summer months. Watering happens 2 to 3 times per week in summer, down to fortnightly in winter depending on the rain. An assortment of fertilizers is used in monthly rotation. The potting mix is small & medium bark, charcoal, coco husks and perlite. It is grown on a high shelf over the other *Cymbidiums* and *Dendrobiums*.

**SECOND DIVISION:** Another *Paphiopedilum*, this time grown and shown by Allan Stewart, being *Paph.* Lynleigh Koopowitz. The plant is grown cold using medium bark and coconut husks as the growing medium in a hard roofed shade-house receiving high light in the winter months and lower light levels in summer. The fertilizers that Allan uses are Seasol™, Campbells B™ and Bloom Booster. This is a primary hybrid with its parents being *Paph. (delenati x malipoense)* and it was clear how each parent affected the flower

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### 2012 FESTIVAL OF FLOWERS/AUTUMN SHOW DETAILS

The Festival of Flowers and OCSA Autumn Show will be held at the Enfield Community Centre, 540 Regency Road, Enfield on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> and Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2012.

**Put In:** On Friday 20<sup>th</sup> April between 4.00pm and 6.30pm. **Judging will begin at 6.45pm.**

**Parking:** Members are requested to find alternative parking in nearby street during the show on the 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> so there is maximum parking space available for the public wishing to visit the show.

**Foliage Plants:** These can be brought in with your orchids, make sure that your exhibitor's number is on all pots. Please bring in as many as you can.

**Plants & Labeling:** Your plants should be presented and ready for exhibition. Please ensure that the correct label for your Division is attached to each plant, displaying the plant name and your exhibitor's number on the label.

**Take Out:** Take out will occur after 4.00pm on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2012.

Exhibits must not be removed from the show before this time without approval from the Show Marshall. If a member is unable to remove their plants and wish another person to pick them up please notify the Show Marshall before take out.

**Show Schedule:** These will be available for members at the March & April club meetings.

**Show Helpers:** If you can assist with the running of the show on the plant sales stall or help out in the kitchen your help will be very much appreciated. Please contact the show marshal Trevor Camac if you are able to assist.



**AOC Award Judging:** If you have a plant for an AOC award then this can be arranged by phoning Roger Rankin on 8182 2702 at least **48 hours before** the commencement of show judging (6.45pm) on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> April.

**OCSA Award:** This can be arranged by notifying Ron Yates at least **48 hours before** put in on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> April.

**Trading Table:** Bring your plants through the front entrance of the hall after 4.00pm on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> April and check them in with the trading table helpers. Ensure all plant labels and dockets are correctly filled in otherwise plants may not be accepted for sale. Present your sale plants in the condition you would want if you were buying the plant.

**Growers please note: Plants suspected of being infected with virus, disease or insect infestation will not be eligible for competition and such plants will be asked to be removed from the show.**

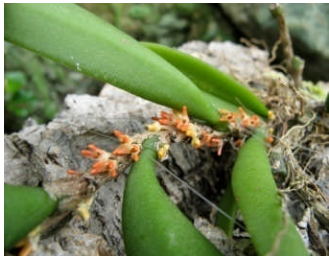
An Admission fee of \$3.00 will be charged for Entry. Entry doors will be open from 10.00am until 4.00pm on both Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> and Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2012

Light refreshments will be available for the duration of the show.

Trevor Camac Festival of flowers Show Marshall

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### **Bulbophyllum schillerianum**



This *Bulbophyllum* species mainly an epiphyte has the widest distribution of any of the species within the group. It extends from central eastern New South Wales to the wet tropical areas of far north Queensland and is found from near sea level to near 1000m in the mountains. The vegetative forms can be slightly different and in some cases can be quite confusing but the flower shapes and colours are consistent over all the areas where this species is found.

It is related to *Bulb. shepherdii*, *Bulb. wadsworthii*, *Bulb. gadarrense* etc. and grows into pendulous clumps up to 400mm in length with the starting section or anchored part of the plant with its leaves having died off leaving the twisted brown fibrous bracts & roots thus giving it the common name of the "rope orchid". The plant can have very small rounded pseudobulbs, succulent channelled cylindrical leaves to more flattened type leaves varying from 20mm to 80mm in length and 10mm to 25mm wide. The leaves can vary in colour from dark green, mid green through to yellow.

The small waxy flowers 4 to 5mm across sometimes appearing 'cuppy' appear in confusion, carried on short stems. With a white background the distal sections are a bright orange and the labellum is rusty red with fine hairs along its margins. It is best grown on a long lasting hard tree fern fibre slab. The plant needs regular watering throughout the year and more often e.g. up to 2 to 3 times a day during the very hot weather. Fertilising with ¼ to ½ strength HSO Native fertiliser during the summer months will produce flowers anytime of the year with the main flowering period in April & May. This is another small but easy to grow orchid plant to add to your collection.

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### **AOC CONFERENCE 2012**

The 19th AOC Conference & Show to be held in Perth from 11-16 September 2012 continues to build momentum with a confirmed [Speaker List](#) of 19 world class orchid specialists, 12 of whom are from overseas. They are headed by [Terry Root](#) of the Orchid Zone, USA, who will be our **Keynote Speaker**. The latest addition to the 19th AOC Conference Lecture Program is [Isobyl la Croix](#) of the UK, the noted author and expert on

African Orchids. Isobyls' lecture will compliment that of [Johan Hermans](#)' on the Orchids of Madagascar. The unique Western Australian native orchids have not been ignored, with the inclusion of [Dr Mark Brundrett](#) of the University of Western Australia, and [Andrew Brown](#), Threatened Flora Coordinator at the Western Australian Department of Environment and Conservation and honorary Curator of the Orchidaceae and Myoporaceae at the Western Australian Herbarium. Our Lecture Program is by no means done and dusted, so stand by for further updates. Registration for the 19th AOC Conference & Show is open and the details are now available on line at..... <http://www.waorchids.iinet.net.au/Registration.pdf>

If you are unable to download the registration form, please contact the Secretary at the address above or email at.. [aocconference@dodo.com.au](mailto:aocconference@dodo.com.au) with your postal details. We now have credit card facilities for your ease of payment. Also attached to the Registration Form is information regarding the [Conference Tours](#).. Our Show Marshal, Norm Martin, has received the final approval of the [Show Schedule](#) from the WA Judges Panel and the AOC. The Schedule can now be seen on line in either a Word File or PDF. The [Show Room Floor Plan](#) of the Burswood Grand Ballroom is complete, with exhibition and vendor spaces (some already sold) having been provisionally determined along with a café/snack bar inside the Conference area, and a public potting demonstration and cultural presentation area. The Committee is in the early planning stages for a Photographic Competition to be run in conjunction with the 19th AOC Conference & Show. More about this in future Bulletins but start your cameras clicking away. A number of Conference Committee members will be attending the WOC in Singapore in November and the WA team will stage an AOC display with the assistance of members from across Australia who are supplying cut flowers. The video of packing cut flowers has been produced and is in the final stages of editing and should be available on the website in October this year. We will also have a promotional booth (B30 in the marketplace) to promote the 19th AOC Conference & Show, Perth 2012. We have been generously supported in this by the State Government of Western Australia. There will be promotional material available and a unique give away to encourage visitors to Perth for the 19th AOC Conference & Show. Whilst in Singapore, Conference Committee members will also make a presentation on behalf of the Western Australian Regional Orchid Organisation, in a bid to bring the 2017 **World Orchid Conference** to Perth. This bid is being backed by the AOC and the Western Australian State Government.

[Further information](#) regarding all our latest happenings can be accessed on the 19th AOC Conference web site at... [http://www.waorchids.iinet.net.au/19th\\_AOC\\_Conference.htm](http://www.waorchids.iinet.net.au/19th_AOC_Conference.htm) We urge all orchid societies to feel free to reprint this Bulletin, and anything else from our web site, in your club newsletters. Should you have any queries or questions regarding the 19th AOC Conference, feel free to contact the Chairman, ([email](#)) the Secretary, ([email](#)) or the Webmaster.