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*B/c Mt. Sylvan 'Snow White'*  
Orchid of the Night – November meeting.  
Shown by Dr. Richard and Mrs. Beryl Wilson.

December 2010 meeting will be held on the **THIRD** Wednesday of the Month, at the Adelaide  
West Uniting Church Hall,  
312 Sir Donald Bradman Drive Brooklyn Park.

**Next Meeting WEDNESDAY December 15th 2010.**

## **The Executive Committee of the S.A. Orchidaceous Society Inc.**

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## **LIFE MEMBERS**

Alan & Iris Davies, Kevin Gurney, Trevor Jacob, Deane Johnston,  
Harold Luckhurst, Nancy Neighbour, Noel Oliver, Elva Shawyer,  
Kel Staples, and Peter Speer.

## **2010 PROGRAMME December 15th 2010.**

### **CHRISTMAS MEETING**

Our Christmas meeting this month will start at 6.30 pm with a subsidised cost dinner and followed by a Social evening (about 8pm). Our Yearly top growers will be recognised with the awarding of our Perpetual Trophies, and monthly aggregate points winners. Refreshments and nibbles will be provided ( no alcohol to be consumed, please). A fun night – do come along even if you're not attending the 6 30 pm dinner.

## **BIRTHDAYS for DECEMBER 2010**

Happy Birthday to these members who are celebrating their birthdays this month..

.Glenys Cook      Graham Eakins      Sarka Laznicka      Noel Oliver  
Kel Staples      Jan Tilbrook

<b>Next Committee Meeting:</b>	Pulteney Grammar School	20th December 2010	7.30pm
<b>Next Judges Meeting</b>		14 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2010.@ Jill's	7.30pm
<b>Next SA Regional Judging Panel Meeting:</b>		Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	7:30pm
	Pulteney Grammar School South Tce. Adelaide		

## **PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT 2010**

Despite the weather, we've had an interesting and successful year. Not all of our orchids flowered well, but enough did, so that we could put on good displays when necessary. A big thank you to everyone who helped this year, be it selling raffle tickets, popular votes, setting up the room for the meetings, kitchen jobs, library jobs, beginner's classes, helping at shows and a myriad other jobs. I could go on and on and on. Every little bit helps in keeping our Society running successfully and happily.

We had a smaller committee in numbers this year, but they are all hard workers. So thank you to all of you from us all.

Apart from our evening meetings, what did we actually do this year? Well, our extracurricular activities numbered 9. These began in March with the House & Garden Expo at Wayville Showgrounds. We had a small display and answered questions like "How can I make my orchids flower?" In June, some of us went to the Botanical Gardens and Bodo Jensen took us on a most informative walk, with a BYO picnic lunch afterwards. Also in June, we had the annual Saroc Fair. It's always fun, and a chance to make friends with members of other clubs. Thank you to all those members who helped put in our display, and also those who ran the kitchen.

This was closely followed by our Mid-year Show at the Klemzig OG Rd. Band hall. I always enjoy seeing displays, and I love selling plants to people. Helping at trading tables is always interesting, and you can learn something from the other growers, too. Even how to divide and pot -- a specialty of Alan Davies at OG Rd. (but he still won't show us his prizewinning floral art prowess, Jill. Ed.)

In August, we held our Winter Show at Parabanks Shopping Centre. The country based judges joined us for the show judging, and with our Registrar, Don Higgs in charge, it all went smoothly and well.

At the end of August, we had lunch together at the Eagles' Bistro on Port Road.

Afterwards, most of us went on to see the Cymbidium Club show at West Lakes.

September 12 to 18<sup>th</sup> was our Spring Show at Burnside Shopping Centre, which is in the throes of being rebuilt and expanded. Again the Country judges joined us, so they must like us.

In October we staged a tiered display at the entrance to the Adelaide Western Uniting Church Fair. The usual question was "How can I make my orchids flower?" Hundreds of people walked past and admired the orchids. Also in October we staged a display for the Garden & Renovation Show again held at the Morphettville Racecourse. Not only "How can I make my orchids flower?", but "What's that smell?" Dozens of people leant over the orchids to try to trace the source of the perfume. The large pink cattleya from the Wilson's won the most votes.

Thank you to everyone who brought in plants for all our displays throughout the whole year. It helps our club enormously to promote the love of orchids and let other members and the public generally see the beautiful variations in our plants and blooms.

Thank you again to all our helpers. Congratulations to all our prizewinners.

Happy Christmas and good growing in 2011.

Jill.

## **LAST MEETING**

Last meeting saw the re-election of our President, Jill Taylor, and the return of Alan Davies and Peter French in Vice-president positions on Committee. Garry Simcock has taken on the important role of Treasurer. Deane Johnston has returned to the Committee, and although Dr. Tony Bourne has relinquished the post of Secretary due to other wide-ranging commitments, he will continue on Committee and as our Show Marshall. Don Higgs will continue as our Judging Registrar, and Trevor Jacob as your Review Editor.

We most importantly need an experienced person to be our Secretary as it is one of the most important of the Society's positions, and we need others to help in Committee positions to continue a balanced and diverse outlook for our Society. We will continue to pursue the filling of these positions. Under our Rules, we can introduce members to fill these positions on a temporary basis until

the next AGM, so if you would like to assist with the operations of our Society, here's a good opportunity to see how things work. Your consideration would be most welcome.

Bodo Jensen, President of the Native Orchid Society gave us a talk last month, principally on the formation and development of our State Native orchid Society, and showed some views of native orchid plants which NOSSA have previously awarded. Thank you, Bodo, for providing your knowledge and time for our members' benefit. .

Show trophies from the Spring Show were presented, and also our prestigious Craig Gurney Memorial Trophy for Best Paphiopedilum at our Winter Show. Congratulations to the Hazledines on winning the trophy this year with an outstanding Standard paphiopedilum, Jolly Green Gem x Magic Mood.

## **THIS MEETING**

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2010**

Celebration time. Our Christmas celebrations will commence with dinner at the hall to start at 6.30 pm, catered by a different caterer this year by way of a change.. When dinner is complete, at about 8pm. we will continue with a Social evening.

Annual prizes will be presented to our top growers We expect that Father Christmas's busy schedule will allow him to drop in for a few minutes, too. Even if you're not attending the dinner, do come along and join in the festivities. A quality raffle will be conducted .

If you would like to contribute to the raffle prizes, your help would be most welcome.

Tickets for this raffle will be 50 c. each.

Any help which you can give to help set up the tables, decorations, etc prior to the 6.30 pm start will assist in spreading the work-load, and will be very welcome..

## **THANKYOU.**

We acknowledge the help given by members in carrying out of the regular jobs which keep the cogs of the Society turning throughout the year. Jobs like operating the Trading table (the Whibleys), the Library (Pat Carman), selling Raffle tickets (Judith Gardner), Official

Photographer (John Seidel) Popular vote coordinator (Nancy Neighbour), Supper co-ordinator (Margaret Jacob), Show Marshall (Tony Bourne), Judging Registrar (Don Higgs,) Review Editor (Trevor Jacob) Plant comments (Kel Staples), the Judging Panel, Social event coordinator (Alan Davies), and of course, all our members who regularly bring in plants at meetings and shows for us all to admire.

We again acknowledge the work of retiring committee people, which we did in last month's Review, and thank them for their time and dedication to ensuring our Society's continuing success.

We are in process of appointing the new year's helpers at the moment.

Our thanks to all who put their hands up to serve on the Executive Committee. We know your time is valuable and we acknowledge with gratitude your commitment to serve the Society.

## **SUPPER ROSTER**

Thank you to all who have helped with our suppers at the end of the meetings, and for all those naughty extras like cakes, biscuits, slices etc. You don't really have to go to extra trouble – the Society has biscuits for each meeting.

## **SUBSCRIPTIONS**

Subs. remain at \$20 for single membership, and \$30 per couple, which we believe is excellent value for 12 meetings, monthly Review, opportunities to show your plants with a competent AOC judging panel, some subsidised activities and together with organised social outings. The cost alone of producing the review works out at over \$17 per year, so you can see subs are not excessive.

## **SUCCESSFUL NEW EXHIBITION CLASSES**

The newly introduced `Species Cymbidium` class (combined for all sizes of the species) and a class for `Species Laeliinae` included amongst the Laeliinae group seems to have worked out well and will be retained..

Additional card classes were introduced to provide separate cymbidium colours groups at all our Shows for all sizes, and also 'Zygopetalum Alliance' classes at each of our Shows.

## KEL'S CORNER.

In writing up Kel's notes on plants which caught his eye at each meeting this year, I have observed that it's not always the outright judges' best picks which have demanded attention. Kel has an outstanding record as past Registrar and as a highly regarded judge over the years, and his choice to comment sometimes on some of the other orchids proves that a wide range of colours, size and shapes appeal to most of us, not just the award quality types. Thank you, Kel, for your ongoing contribution to our awareness of the beauty, quaintness and diversity of the plants we choose to grow and exhibit.

At the meeting of the 17<sup>th</sup> November 2010 a change in the genera displayed was noted as the cymbidiums were less apart from the Australian native types. A nice collection of various other genera were tabled.

On the Open section Kevin Trevan had a nice *Sarco fitzgeraldii* X Lois X Jewel, there were 10 racemes of pink with a deeper centre.

An interesting *Epi.* Pacific Whimsey with 1m length canes with many pink 5cm flowers in cluster from G. & M. Hazeldine. The same owners had a Sc. Cherry Bee with 7cm pink blooms with splash petals, - attractive and showy.

A large R/C (Blc) Mt Sylvan 'Snow White' growing in a 20cm pot had 2 racemes with 2 flowers each and 1 bud to open. The flowers were near 20cm in size, magnificent white in colour, and really stood out. It belonged to R. & B. Wilson.

An interesting Den Yodogima 'No 1' belonging to R. & L. Gunn had 2 canes with many 5cm flowers the petals were white tinged pink with a yellow lip. The soft cane dendrobiums can be very floriferous, especially the line bred Yamamoto types..

Les. Burgess' pot of *Diuris brevifolia* x *D. sulphurea* was in a 20cm pot, with 12 racemes with 20cm stems averaging 3 to 4 flowers about 2cm in size with some brown spots.

There were 9 pots of *sarcochillus*, with colours of reds and white, all very nice. The best was considered to be *Sarc* George Colthup belonging to K. Trevan which had 6 racemes of white, red centred blooms. All pots looked attractive.

S. & B. Huddleston's *Wilsonara* Kolari had 1 spike with a 20cm stem and 15 cm flowers. The 5cm flowers were purple with dark splashes, nice.

Also *Sl* Petite Pride X Toshi Aoki was growing in a 12 ½ cm pot with two 10cm flowers of a deep purple colour with sepals lighter in colour.

G. & M. Hazeldine's *Epi.* Pacific Classic was growing in a 12 ½ pot having 2 canes 30 cm in length. There was 1 raceme with 14 flowers and 5 buds, the colour was orange, the petals striped a deep orange.

A seldom seen *Arpophyllum giganteum* belonging to G. & L. Spear was growing in a 20cm pot with 2 racemes 20cm long, the flowers pink of about 1cm in size spiralling up the raceme..

R. & L. Gunns Z Conways Choice X Zba Adelaide City was a seedling with 3 nice green flowers with spots, the lip had purple stripes, nice, with potential.

On the First Division T. Hutchison had several cymbidiums of Mad Magic 'Crimson Cascade' growing in a 20cm pot with 2 green bulbs 1 backbulb with brown 5cm flowers. There were approximately 20 plus flowers.

K. & J. Whibley had a 12 ½ cm potful of a soft cane dendrobium, white, the lip purple, the tips of petals also purple. There were many flowers on the plant. The same owners had a lovely *Oncidium*. Gower Ramsey with 6 or 7 canes and 3 racemes of many yellow flowers, the petals brown.

A nice Z. Titanic 'Monarch' growing in a 17 1/2 cm pot had 3 racemes of 4 each and 1 with 3 flowers with a strong striped purple lip. The plant belongs to J. & R. Dunn.

On the Second Division there were also some nice plants displayed. Anton Drew's *Cym Aran Powder Puff* had 6 canes with 2 large pink flowers which were nice.

James Argent displayed several good plants, one was a 10cm slipper, brown petals and a white pouch, quite attractive and unusual. He same owner had a *Paph Goultenianum* 'Arcadia X Mario Palmeri', a nice Maudiae type with a 45cm stem and a dark pouch. An interesting and elegant slipper.

Generally a nice selection of plants on each of the Divisions, with the numbers of flowering plants now seasonally reducing until the New Years plants appear.

Good growing, and best wishes for the coming Christmas season

Kel Staples

## A FEW INTERESTING SEEDLINGS.

Sometimes, for one reason or another, seedling orchids don't make it to the meetings, so I thought I'd let you see a few cymbidiums which impressed me this year.

First, this novelty type cym, dramatic and eyecatching electric lime green with stripes, standard in size and living at John Nicholls'.



Cym Robin 'Freckles' hybrid.

Next is a very attractive *Cym canaliculatum* hybrid I saw at Gordon & Coralie Hime's home, and which has links to our Society.

Older members will remember the late Theo Paynter, who showed many fine native orchids, and who had many cyms. too Theo tried many crossings, even cyms with catts, and included this one before breeding with our native cyms became popular. He crossed *Cym Sarah Jean* with *Cym*

*canaliculatum*, and the crossing must have appealed to Gordon Hime, as he obtained a number from Theo. They grew sturdily but slowly, not flowering over the years, and Gordon retained only two. Wonder of wonders, one flowered this year for the first time, after 13 years, and now Gordon wishes he'd kept them all. Others have made the cross, too, with different clones giving different flowering characteristics. The crossing has been named SparkSprite



Cym Spark Sprite 'Theo'.



Cym Alexandra's Flame x Wyong Flame.

Ben Knobben flowered this one, which gained an HCC and Champion at the Cym Club's Spring show this year. A really good'un.



.Cym Kirby Lesh 'Cottage Lane'

John Nicholls flowered this large Kirby Lesh seedling this year at Winter Show time, but didn't show it as it had damaged flowers. It's large with no spotting (like some of the Kirby Lesh's) and with a good flower count. One we'll see more of in the future.



White Valley seedling.

Tom Burian bred this White Valley seedling hybrid shown at this year's Cym Club Spring Show, which many of our members visited. One of lots of good hybrids (D.J. to note).

### LAST MONTH'S BLOOMS.

We had some fine blooms on show last meeting. The Registrar's choice (see front cover) was an imposing specimen, combining lovely colouring, fine shape, and a beautifully grown large plant. Congratulations to the Wilsons for sharing it with us.

The reed-stem epidendrums (crucifix orchids) breeding has gone ahead in leaps and bounds over the past few years. The quality, size and shape of the flowering heads are streets ahead of the old orange and red Boundii types. If they have lost out, it is in the field of hardiness. The new ones need sheltered conditions to be at their best, whereas the old types are really hardy. Hawaiian breeders started the quality trend, and clones and seedlings are producing some really nice plants. One was on display from the Hazledines last month, with large, shapely flowers almost like mini cattleyas. Unfortunately this flowering has produced a few of the blooms with missing lips, which probably won't happen next time (like some cym which can occasionally flower with a deformed lip). If it flowers without faults, it's award quality in my opinion.



Epi Pacific Classic



Sarc George Colthup

Kevin Trevan's Sarc. George Colthup had large round blooms on a sturdy plant – very, very nice.



*Wilsonara Kolari*



*Den Yodogimi No. 1*



*Cattleya Aran 'Powderpuff'*  
A lovely, large, and shapely catt.



*Arpophyllum giganteum.*



*Dendrobium nobile.*

Some very nice plants were tabled last month to round out our year's flowering competition. Annual winners in each category will be announced next meeting. Please note ---no flower competition in December, but if you have a plant in bloom to show us, why not bring it along?

ANY IDEAS FOR GUEST SPEAKERS FOR  
NEXT YEAR.??

Let your Committee know.

## COMPETITION RESULTS November 2010

### CYMBIDIUMS Under 60mm

First Div.

1 <sup>st</sup>	Mad Magic `Crimson Cascade`	T Hutchison
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Bermagui `Prolong`	T Hutchison
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Plush Canyon	T Hutchison

### STANDARD LAELIINAE over 80mm

Open Div

1 <sup>st</sup>	C Blc Mt. Sylvan `Snow White`	R & B Wilson
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Second Div

1 <sup>st</sup>	C Aran `Powderpuff`	A Drew
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### STANDARD LAELIINAE under 80mm

Open Div.

1 <sup>st</sup>	Lc Alsacs Pattern	R & B Wilson
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Sc Cherry Bee	G & M Hazledine.
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Ctna Dal's Chick	S & B Huddleston

### NON STANDARD LAELIINAE

First Div.

1 <sup>st</sup>	C Catherine Digwood	A & I Davies
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Second Div

1 <sup>st</sup>	C Unknown	J & P Carman
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### STANDARD CLUSTER LAELIINAE

Open Div

2 <sup>nd</sup>	Epi Pacfc Classic	G & M Hazledine
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### NON-STANDARD CLUSTER LAELIINAE

Open Div

1 <sup>st</sup>	Epi Pacific Whimsey	G & M Hazledine
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Second Div

1 <sup>st</sup>	Lc Chit Chat `Tangerine`	J & P Carman
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### SPECIES LAELIINAE

Open Div

1 <sup>st</sup>	<i>Schomburgkia tibicinis</i>	R & B Wilson
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Second Div.

1 <sup>st</sup>	<i>Epi elongatum</i> `Fairy Lavender`	S Laznicka
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### STANDARD PAPHIOPEDILUM

Open Div

1 <sup>st</sup>	Hoopla	K & G Staples
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### NOVELTY PAPHIOPEDILUM

Second Div.

1 <sup>st</sup>	Satin Smoke	J Argent
2 <sup>nd</sup>	P Colbert x Claire de Lune x Holdenii	J Argent
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Goultenianum x Maria Palmeri	J Argent

### SPECIES PAPH

Open Div

1 <sup>st</sup>	<i>tonsum</i>	K & G Staples
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Second Div

1 <sup>st</sup>	<i>hirsutissimum</i>	J Argent
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### SPECIES

Open Div.

1 <sup>st</sup>	<i>Arpophyllum giganteum</i>	G & L Spear
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First Div

1 <sup>st</sup>	<i>Den nobile</i>	K & J Whibley
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Second Div

1 <sup>st</sup>	<i>Ansellia africana</i> var <i>concolor</i>	J & P Carman
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### DENDROBIUMS

Open Div

1 <sup>st</sup>	Yodogimi No 1	R & L Gunn
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Hoshimosome xRuby Blossom	R & L Gunn

First Div

1 <sup>st</sup>	Shinone	K & J Whibley
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Second Div

1 <sup>st</sup>	Crystal Pink	J Argent
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Unknown	J Argent
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Unknown	Ben Bolt

### AUSTRALIAN NATIVE EPIPHYTE HYBRIDS

Open Div

1 <sup>st</sup>	Sarc George Colthup	K Trevan
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Sarc fitzgeraldiix Lois x Jewel	K Trevan
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Sarc Heidi x Melodyx Heidi	R & L Gunn

First Div

1 <sup>st</sup>	Sarc Wandjina x hartmannii	T Hutchison
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Second Div

1 <sup>st</sup>	Sarc Wandjina	J Argent
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Sarc Daybreak	J Argent
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Sarc Heidi	J Argent

### AUST. NATIVE EPIPHYTE SPECIES

Open Div

1 <sup>st</sup>	<i>Den kingianum</i>	D & J Higgs
2 <sup>nd</sup>	<i>Sarc fitzgeraldii</i>	R & L Gunn

### AUST. NATIVE TERRESTRIAL HYBRIDS

Open Div

1 <sup>st</sup>	<i>Diuris brevifolia</i> x <i>sulphurea</i>	L Burgess
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### MISCELLANEOUS

Open Div.

1 <sup>st</sup>	Masd. Marguerite	S & B Huddleston
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## ZYGOPETALUMS

Open Div.

- 1<sup>st</sup> *Zpb* Elfin Jade x *Zga* Dynamo K Trevan  
2<sup>nd</sup> *Z* Conway's Choice x *Zba*. Adelaide City  
R & L Gunn

- 3<sup>rd</sup> *Z*. BG White x Titanic K Trevan

First Div

- 1<sup>st</sup> *Z*. Titanic `Monarch' J & R Dunn

## ONCIDIINAE

Open Div

- 1<sup>st</sup> *Wils.* Kolari S & B Huddleston  
2<sup>nd</sup> *Onc* Pamanense x *maculatum* N Oliver  
3<sup>rd</sup> *Colm* Carmela S & B Huddleston

First Div

- 1<sup>st</sup> *Onc.* Gower Ramsay J & K Whibley

Second Div

- 1<sup>st</sup> *Onc* *maculatum* J Argent

## SEEDLING

Open Div

- 1<sup>st</sup> *Zpb* Elfin Jade x *Zga* Dynamo K Trevan  
2<sup>nd</sup> *Sarc* Heidi x *Melodyx* Heidi R & L Gunn  
3<sup>rd</sup> *Z* Conway's Choice x *Zba* Adelaide City  
R & L Gunn

Second Div

- 1<sup>st</sup> *Sarc* Daybreak J Argent  
2<sup>nd</sup> *Paph* Goultenianum x Mario Palmieri  
J Argent  
3<sup>rd</sup> *Sarc* Marina Haricott x *fitzgeraldii* J Argent

## POPULAR VOTE

Open Div

- 1st *Blc* Mt. Sylvan Snow White' R & B Wilson  
2nd *Arpophyllum giganteum* G & L Spear  
3rd *Wilsonara* Kolari S & B Huddleston

First Div

- 1st *Den nobile* K & J Whibley  
2nd *Onc* Gower Ramsay K & J Whibley  
3<sup>rd</sup> (*Z* Titanic `Monarch' J & R Dunn  
(*Cym* Plush Canyon T Hutchison

Second Div

- 1st *C* Aran `Powderpuff' A Drew  
2<sup>nd</sup> *Den* Crystal Pin J Argent  
3<sup>rd</sup> *Paph* Goultenianum x Mario Palmeri J Argent

## BEST IN DIVISION

### Open Division

**Blc Mount Sylvan `Snow White'**

**Grown by Dr. R & B. WILSON**

### First Division

***Oncidium* Gower Ramsay**

**Grown by K & J WHIBLEY**

### Second Division

***Cattleya* Aran `Powderpuff'**

**Grown by ANTON DREW**

## REGISTRAR'S CHOICE

***Blc.* Mt Sylvan `Snow White'**

**Exhibited by Dr. R & Mrs. B Wilson**

**J & D Higgs.**

WE WISH ALL OUR MEMBERS AND  
THEIR FAMILIES A VERY **HAPPY**  
**CHRISTMAS** AND A **SUCCESSFUL**  
**YEAR** IN 2010

### Stop Press

We hear that Peter French had a serious fall from his roof when the storms hit Adelaide recently, and is recovering in the Lyell Mc Ewin Hospital. All our best wishes to you, Peter, and to Shirley, too.

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