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Arpophyllum giganteum

Dec. meeting on the **FIRST** Wednesday of the month at the AdelaideWest Uniting Church hall. 312 Sir Donald Bradman Drive Brooklyn Park. **Xmas meeting – 6pm for 6.30 start** 

Next Meeting WEDNESDAY December 7th 2016.

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# 2016 PROGRAMME December 7th 2016.

### ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER followed by Social evening.

Our Christmas meeting this month will start at 6.30 pm with a dinner for members and friends, 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** will be presented with seedling prizes.. Refreshments and nibbles will be included (no alcohol to be consumed, please). A fun night – do come along even if you're not attending the 6 30 pm dinner. We have invited Father Christmas to pop in for a visit, too.

#### **BIRTHDAYS FOR December 2016**

Happy Birthday to these members who are having birthdays this month. . .

Peng Ha Yeo Sarka Laznicka

Silvester Ng Noel Oliver Kel Staples

Members – if your name's not here and it should be, please let Trevor Jacob know. We're still recovering from a computer failure where some of our records were lost.

Next Committee Meeting:Pulteney Grammar SchoolTo be advised7.30pmNext Judges MeetingPulteney Grammar SchoolMonday 6th Feb 20177.30pmNext SA Regional Judging Panel Meeting:Pulteney Grammar SchoolTo be advised7.30pm

#### AGGREGATE POINTS PRIZEWINNERS in each Judging Division 2016

#### **OPEN DIVISION**

#### Aggregate points needed in each category to win seedling 10 points

Exhibitors qualifying for prizes Last year 7 growers. This year 5 growers.

Max & Ellen Hume (7 prizes) Paph species (15 points), Dendrobiums (19) Aust Native epiphyte hybrids (24) Oncidiinae (11) Other Species (22) Seedlings (24) Aust Native epiphyte species (28)

**Jane & Don Higgs** (2 prizes) Aust Native Terrestrial Species (28) Aust Native terrestrial Hybrid (10)

**Bob & Lesley Gunn** (5 prizes) Laeliinae Std Shape Under 80mm (20), Zygopetaliinae (37), Laeliinae Non Standard (13), Other Hybrids (not specifically categorised elsewhere (11), Popular Vote (17)

**John Seidel** (1 prizes) Paphiopedilum Novelty (31)

Ben Knobben (2 prizes) Cymbidiums Over 90mm (11) Cymbidiums under 60 mm (11)

#### **FIRST DIVISION**

Aggregate points needed in each category to win seedling 6 points

Exhibitors qualifying for prizes.

**Trevor Hutchison** (1 prize) Aust Native Epiphyte Hybrid (15)

**Silvester Ng** (1 prize) Cymbidiums 60 to 90 mm (6 points)

**Vicky & Neil Cooper** (7 prizes) Cymbidiums Over 90mm (7) Cymbidiums Under 60mm (19) Laeliinae Non standard Cluster (9) Zygopetaliinae (9) Other Species (11) Species paphs (8) Standard shape phals. (6)

Margaret & Murray Page (4 prizes) Standard Laeliinae over 80mm (10) Non Standard Laeliinae (9) Seedlings (9) Popular Vote (19)

Brian & Shirley Brand (1 prize) Species Laeliinae (6)

James Argent & Allan Jeffries (1 prize) Oncidiinae (8)

#### SECOND DIVISION

Aggregate Points needed to win seedling in a category 4 points.

Exhibitors qualifying for prizes.

Andrew Bird (7 prizes) Paphiopedilum Novelty (25) Phalaenopsis Novelty (6) Aust Native Epiphyte species (8) Oncidiinae Hybrids (20) Oncidiinae Species (9) Other Species (19) Popular Vote (25),

Peter Haltis (2 prizes) 90mm (8)

Cymbidium 60-90mm (5) Cymidium Over

(16)

Barbara Semmens (2 prizes) Cymbidiums Under 60mm (6) Non Standard Laeliinae

Joe & Denise Cassar (1 prize) Standard shape Paphiopedilums (6)

Patricia & John Carman (1 prize)

Non Standard cluster Laeliinae (6)

Philip & Anne Steer (3 prizes) Species Laeliinae, (5) Aust Native Epiphyte Hybrid (18) Seedling (6)

Congratulations to the prizewinners for some beautiful exhibits throughout the year. Congratulations also to all other growers who brought plants along for other members to admire each month. That's what an orchid club is for! Keep it up!

The "No Award" in a number of categories does *not* mean that there wasn't competition in that class – only that no exhibitor gained sufficient points to gain a Prize. There may have been intense competition in that particular class, resulting in the monthly points being spread around, and no one accumulated the total number of points required to gain a prize..

### PERPETUAL TROPHY WINNERS TO BE ANNOUNCED AT CHRISTMAS MEETING.

Our Registrar, Mr. Don Higgs would like me to pass on his gratitude to the judges for a job well done again this year. Also to the members who brought in a very good number of varied orchids of such high standard of both quality and culture. It makes the judges happier judging high quality plants, and easier, too...

There were growers in each Division who consistently brought in plants across a number of judging categories. Thank you for sharing your growing expertise so that others in the Society can see what can be achieved..

It was gratifying to see so much competition for top spot in a large number of classes. It indicates that a number of people have good quality plants and are prepared to show them, which in turn means you have to keep showing plants in that particular category over a number of months in order to gain enough points for a prize.

There were a good number of seedlings tabled throughout the year, and it was interesting to note that a number of good ones exhibited were from seedlings won on the meeting nights or as prizes from our Shows. Remember, the champion show winners were all originally seedlings, and there are some very fine new crossings regularly becoming available.

#### WINNING PRIZES IN THE YEARLY AGGREGATE POINTS COMPETITION.

In any particular category (Cymbidiums 60 – 90 mm for example), if you are in Open Div. you need to get 10 points over the year's monthly competitions to win a prize, whilst in First Div. you need to get 6 points, and in Second Div. you need only 4 points.

# December 2016 NEW PRESIDENT'S REPORT Deane Johnston.

As your newly elected President I'm pleased to present to the members my first report. Firstly I would like to thank and acknowledge the outgoing president Kevin Gurney for his work. Kevin assures me that in his new role of Immediate Past President he will continue on committee and assist where required.

It is some time since I held the position of President in our society but have served on committee for more years than I care to remember, including over 20 years as Registrar of Judges. Our Society has always had the reputation as being a friendly and progressive society and we all need to work hard to keep it working in this way.

I must thank those members who have both personally and by telephone contacted since the AGM and wished me success in my role as President.; Your support means a lot to me.

One of committee's first jobs will be compiling a list of guest speakers, orchid related for 2017. At the last meeting I asked members to contact me or a committee member with any suggestions they may have whether it be a particular speaker they could suggest or a topic that they have in mind. I can already report that one member's suggestion topic has been organized with a speaker already!

Our next meeting is Wednesday December 7<sup>th</sup> ( 2 weeks earlier than normal ) our Christmas meeting commencing at 6.00pm for a catered meal. We will also have a monster raffle and donations for this raffle would be appreciated. The Society will provide soft drinks, but because we are in a church property no alcohol is allowed to be consumed there..

Hope to see many of our members there.

# Deane Johnston LAST MEETING

Last month's Annual General meeting proved to be very successful, as we had enough nominees to fill all but one Committee person position

. Thank you to all of our Committee people for their regular and continuing commitment to the ongoing success of our Society., and a special thankyou to them Some travel considerable distances to add their expertise to the operation of the Society

. There are a number of other members who contribute their time and work in ensuring the Society functions smoothly, too., some upfront, others behind the scenes. Without your cheerful efforts, our Society would be unable to function effectively. We are in process of again seeking your invaluable support for these jobs Thank you, everyone.

Last month's proceedings included presentations of the Spring Show winners' plaques and medallions. There were a number of fine orchids tabled to complete the year's trophy tally, and the judging panel then met to tally up the year's results and also open and tally up the judges' recorded points for the seedlings which had been individually evaluated each month and at the shows.

Thank you everyone who helped with the supper arrangements, and for those who voluntarily provided us with a little extra most meeting nights.

# THIS MEETING Wednesday 7th December 2016

OUR MEETING THIS MONTH HAS BEEN BROUGHT FORWARD to **Wednesday 7**<sup>th</sup> **December**, only because of the proximity of our normal third Wednesday of the month being so close to Christmas, and we found that the second Wednesday was unavailable.

We start the night with our Christmas dinner at the hall 6.00pm for a start at 6.30 pm, catered by the same caterer we had last year .. When dinner is complete, at about 8pm. we will continue with a Social evening.

If you can help with the set up we will be starting about 5 pm. Your help will be welcomed.

Annual prizes will be presented to our top exhibitors, and our Perpetual Trophies transferred to 2016's top growers.

Even if you're not attending the dinner, do come along and join in the rest of the festivities. They'll start about 8pm, so please come along.

A quality raffle will be conducted. If you would like to contribute to the raffle prizes, your donation would be most welcome. Please make any prize donation of a quality you would like to win and take home yourself.

Tickets for this special raffle will be 50c. each.

We need help to set up the tables, decorations, etc prior to the 6.30 pm start, and your help will assist in spreading the workload, if you can make it, and will be very welcome. Thankyou Kevin Trevan for your ongoing liaison with the Adelaide West people who allow us to have our meetings and functions in their church hall.

#### THANK YOU's.

Whilst was compiling the Treasurer's statements and Judging Results for the Year, I became mindful of the tremendous ongoing compiling, recording and checking workload which some of our members carry out for our benefit which is not immediately obvious to most of us.. Thank you to those people, and among these I include the great contribution Helen Haltis has made to getting our Website reorganised and running properly now after no fault of anyone in our Society.(makes me aware of the headaches avoided by not being connected to the internet).

Congratulations, and our thanks to all those dedicated members who have nominated to work on your behalf on the Committee this coming year. A number have a dual role, also assisting by committing to our judging panel. Please support them, and bring to their attention any matter you have which would help promote and strengthen our Society.

#### SUBSCRIPTIONS.

Well, it had to happen sometime. We have managed to keep our Annual subs. down to a most competitive rate for a number of years now, but increasing costs and lesser numbers of sales plants at our Shows has meant that, on review, the Committee has decided that subscriptions will rise for 2017 by \$5 for both single rate and joint rate. They will be Single membership \$25, and Joint membership \$35.

We believe that these rates are more than competitive with other similar organisations, and we hold meetings every month of the year, plus we have a generously subsidised Christmas party meal each December.

#### PLANTS AT LAST MEETING.

What an intriguing number of plants we had last month. The Arpophyllums were the most we've had exhibited at one time, and lovely specimen plants they were, too.

The sarcochilus orchids finally responded to the improving weather and made an excellent display in their own right. They are part of the Aust native epiphyte class, which they dominated with quality plants and blooms..

More notes/pics next month!!!

#### **NEXT YEAR'S PROGRAMME.**

As our new president, Deane Johnston indicated in his initial President's report. We are negotiating a widely varying group of subjects for 2017. Some of the guest speakers have not yet indicated their availability, but the list will be completed as soon as possible for your information. We are endeavouring to bring you as much cultural information as we can across a wide ranging variety of orchids.

January will commence with a review of last year's plants and seedlings by our Registrar, Don Higgs. We had a number of really good quality seedlings, a number near award quality. A feature a number of growers have mentioned is the good quality of seedlings they have bloomed from their prize plants won at our meetings and shows.

#### SAROC FAIR NEWS.

Next year's SAROC FAIR will be over the Long weekend (Queen's Birthday) in June. The AFL football will be held at Adelaide Oval on the Friday evening, and we have secured adequate parking for the judges to carry out their duties without worry.

This may help the Country clubs in particular with their travel arrangements over the long weekend.

Due to the great attendances by the public last year, the Dividend paid to all participating clubs in the Fair has been announced as increasing to \$500, which is a great result for the smaller clubs. It pays to be part of the fun. Also, I understand that negotiations are under way to have the Saturday evening dinner held amongst the displays at the Parade Grounds Hall, which will add a new dimension to the weekend activities.

We wish a very Happy Christmas to all our members and their families, a successful growing year, and a better year to come for all in 2016.

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#### **COMPETITION RESULTS** November 2016

#### CYMBIDIUMS 60-90 mm

Open Div

1<sup>st</sup> Sparksprite 'Beeswax' M & E Hume

#### **CYMBIDIUMS Under 60mm**

First Div

1<sup>st</sup> Phar Lap `Geyserland' T Hutchison
 2<sup>nd</sup> Chiasana `Geisha Girl' T Hutchison
 3<sup>rd</sup> Mad Magic B & S Brand

#### STANDARD LAELIINAE UNDER 80mm

Open Div

1st Lc Mini Purple x Sc Royal Beau

R & L Gunn

#### NON STANDARD LAELIINAE

Open Div

1<sup>st</sup> C Margaret Degenhart `Saturn' L Burgess
 2<sup>nd</sup> Slc Seagulls Mini Cat Heaven R & L Gunn
 Second Div

1st C Claesiana alba B Semmens 2<sup>nd</sup> C Margaret Digwood J & D Cassar 3<sup>rd</sup> Unknown J & D Cassar

#### **OTHER SPECIES**

Open Div

1<sup>st</sup> Arpophyllum giganteum N Oliver 2<sup>nd</sup> Arpophyllum giganteum G & L Spear 3<sup>rd</sup> Den signatum`Reg.' M & E Hume

#### **NOVELTY PAPHIOPEDILUM**

Open Div.

1<sup>st</sup> sukhakulii x Hsingying Web J Seidel 2<sup>nd</sup> parishii x Pinocchio J Seidel 3<sup>rd</sup> Tangold x primulinum J Seidel

#### AUST NATIVE EPIPHYTE HYBRIDS.

Open Div

1<sup>st</sup> Sarco George Colthup`Becky'M & E Hume 2<sup>nd</sup> Sarco George Colthup

M Willoughby & O Ju

3<sup>rd</sup> Sarco Heidi x (Melody x Heidi)R & L Gunn Second Div.

1st Sarco Woodside P & A Steer 2<sup>nd</sup> Sarco Unknown P & A Steer

3rd Sarco Fitzhart P & A Steer

#### **AUST NATIVE EPIPHYTE SPECIES**

Open Div.

1<sup>st</sup> Sarco hartmannii R & L Gunn 2<sup>nd</sup> Cym canaliculatum J Seidel 3<sup>rd</sup> Cym canaliculatum J Seidel

#### **AUST NATIVE TERRESTRIAL HYBRIDS**

Open Div

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

#### **AUST NATIVE TERRESTRIAL SPECIES**

1<sup>st</sup> *Microtis parviflava* D & J Higgs 2<sup>nd</sup> *Microtis ssp microtis* D & J Higgs

#### STANDARD PHALAENOPSIS

Open Div

1st Jiuhbao Pink Lady M Willoughby & O Ju 2nd Dousan Festival x Hsinying Maki

M Willoughby & O Ju

Second Div

st Pink Potential J & D Cassar

#### **DENDROBIUMS**

Open Div

1<sup>st</sup> Adele Fortescue x Merlin Flake R & L Gunn

2<sup>nd</sup> Yodogimi No 1 R & L Gunn Second Div

1<sup>st</sup> Yukidaruma `King' P Haltis 2<sup>nd</sup> Shinone J & D Cassar

#### **ONCIDIINAE**

Open Div

1<sup>st</sup> Onc Isler's Goldregen

M Willoughby & O Ju

Second Div

1<sup>st</sup> Onc Debutante `Oxbow' B Semmens 2<sup>nd</sup> Onc Unknown B Semmens

#### **ONCIDIINAE SPECIES**

Open Div

1<sup>st</sup> Onc leucochilum K Gurney

#### **OTHER HYBRIDS**

Open Div

1st Phrag Mont Fallu D & J Higgs
 2nd Vanda Tokyo Blue x Bitz's Heartthrob
 F & F Cawse
 3rd Sartylis Toowoomba Sparkle K Trevan

#### **ZYGOPALINAE**

Open Div

1<sup>st</sup> Hmwsa Aussie Quest`Zodiac' J Seidel
 2<sup>nd</sup> Npp Titanic Jest R & L Gunn
 Second Div
 1<sup>st</sup> Npp Ann Margaret x Z Zephyr x Warrigal

Wonder P & A Steer 2<sup>nd</sup> Zpbt Zodiac B Semmens

#### **SEEDLINGS**

Open Div

1<sup>st</sup> Phrag Mont Fallu D & J Higgs

2<sup>nd</sup> Sarco Kulnura Dazzle x Sweetheart

M & E Hume

3<sup>rd</sup> Sarco Enchanted M Willoughby & O Ju

Second Div

1<sup>st</sup> Sarco Woodside P & A Steer

#### **POPULAR VOTE**

Open Div

1st Arpophyllum giganteum G & L Spear 2nd Phrag Mont Fallu D & J Higgs

Onc Isler's Goldregen

M Willoughby & O Ju

First Div

1<sup>st</sup> *Cym* Phar Lap `Geyserland' T Hutchison 2<sup>nd</sup> *Vanda* Wirat B & S Brand Second Div.

1st Phal Pink Potential J & D Cassar 2nd Den Yukidaruma `King' P Haltis 3<sup>rd</sup> Zbpt Zodiac B Semmens

# **BEST ORCHID IN DIVISION**

## **Open Division**

Arpophyllum giganteum'

N Oliver

## **First Division**

Cym Phar Lap 'Geyserland"

**Trevor Hutchison** 

## **Second Division**

Den. Yukidaruma `King'

**Peter Haltis** 

# **REGISTRAR'S CHOICE**

Arpophyllum giganteum.
N Oliver



Cym Phar Lap `Geyserland'



Den Yukidaruma `King"



Den signatum.

COMPLIMENTS OF THE SEASON TO ALL PEOPLE OF GOODWILL EVERYWHERE.