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**Second Div. growers staged a colourful display at our Spring Show this year.**

Next meeting is on **Wednesday Oct. 21<sup>st</sup>** at the Adelaide West Uniting Church hall.  
312 Sir Donald Bradman Drive Brooklyn Park. **Hall opens 7pm for 8pm start**

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

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### LIFE MEMBERS

1970	Spiro Drikas*	2005	Alan Davies, Iris Davies
1975	Elva Shawyer*, Gordon Shawyer* Edith Halliday*, Mervyn Green*	2013	Margaret Jacob
1976	Trevor Jacob	2014	Brian Brand, Shirley Brand
1977	Jack Moore*, Harold Luckhurst*, Ken Wynes*	2018	Lesley Gunn, Robert Gunn Don Higgs, Jane Higgs Jill Taylor
1986	Kelvin Staples*, Stan Johnston*		
1992	Peter Speer*, Deane Johnston, Frank Neighbour*, Nancy Neighbour*		
1996	Kevin Gurney, Noel Oliver*		

\*Denotes deceased member      Researched K.G configured P.S 2018.

### 2020 PROGRAMME –OCTOBER 21<sup>st</sup> 2020.

A busy night is in store this month We will distribute prizes from the Winter Show (held over from last month) In addition to our usual judging, we feature our annual Sarcochilus night

Nominations for Committee positions close 4pm Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct. at our PO Box. Nomination forms were available last month and will be available again at the Secretary.s table.

### Birthdays October 2020.

Many Happy Returns to these members who celebrate birthdays this month..

Vicky Cooper, Michael Ferry, Helen Haltis, Kevin Gurney,  
Alan Jeffries Kevin Trevan, and Anne Steer

### Supper Roster this meeting.

Same Covid-19 restrictions apply as for last month. Victoria has shown how difficult it is to remain safe, so please observe the rules and stay safe

**Next Committee Meeting:** At Pine View c/o Ms J Taylor Monday 26<sup>th</sup> Oct. . 7.30pm  
**Next Judges Meeting** To be advised  
**Next SA Regional Judging Panel Meeting:** To be advised.



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## **ORCHID OPPORTUNITIES**

Collector or Beginner----something for everyone.

**Late flowering, show bench plants** –for sale.

**Need Help**—Bring your own plant, get help with dividing and, or, repotting. (small fee for materials supplied.)

**Mounting an Orchid**—Purchase a small, suitable plant, learn how to mount it, and get an instruction sheet.

**Orchid Supplies**—Bark and media, Chemicals, Pots, Trays, Clips, Labels, Hangers, etc. – available.

**Other Plants**—Members making more room in their gardens by selling spare plants.

**WHEN-- Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> November** (9.30 to 4.30 )

**WHERE**—ADELAIDE WEST UNITING CHURCH HALL  
312 SIR DONALD BRADMAN DRIVE,  
BROOKLYN PARK (ENTER OFF BEVERLEY  
AVENUE, PLENTY OF PARKING.)  
FURTHER INFORMATION, VISIT WEBSITE OR FACEBOOK

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Our shortened Spring Show at Gilles Plains turned out quite successful due to the efforts of all who took part. Thank you to all who had some part in presenting our Show, and who contributed with its successful operation. You will note the flyer on the previous page. We seek your support to widen the appeal of orchid growing.

**Trevor Jacob.**

## LAST MEETING

Don & Jane Higgs's experiences during their trip to Taiwan, originally scheduled for them to visit and participate in the subsequently Covid-cancelled Taiwan World Orchid Conference, were shared with us last month. Their revised itinerary enabled us to visit with them to a number of world class orchid nurseries, and to see, close up, a number of plants originally planned to be part of the Conference and Show. Thank you, Don and Jane, for allowing us to share and view some of the latest developments in the orchid world

We also had a viewing of the ongoing Cym. seedling competition plants, where Ralph Edwards showed the only two plants tabled. Each plant had a distinctly different growth habit. Has anyone flowered any this year?.

## OUR MEETING THIS MONTH.

Safety procedures continue to be followed carefully by those attending our monthly meetings. Thank you, members, and thank you for assisting with the cleanup procedures at the end of the night We should always remember many

of us are in the more vulnerable age group, and even when the Government eventually further relaxes the procedures, we should continue to carry out safety measures

We will have the usual plant competitions, and this month we will be distributing the prizes from the Winter Show at Klemzig.

The trophies from our successful (but curtailed) Spring Show will be awarded at our November (AGM) night

## SPECIAL SARCOCHILUS NIGHT.

October is our special night for showing sarcochilus orchids, when we make a special feature of these easily grown and available Australian native orchids. They are easy to purchase now, and the colour range and quality is ever increasing

Other competition classes remain as usual, so the judges will have a busy night this month. Please get your plants in early so that judging can begin on time.

**Special classes for Sarco's. will be judged separately for Open, First, and Second Divisions** The Perpetual Trophy donation in honour of the work of Elva and Gordon Shawyer for our Society in its earlier years will be awarded for **Overall Champion Sarcochilus** selected from all Divisions. Classes include -----

## SPECIES SARCOCHILUS.

Best *Sarcochilus hartmannii*

Other Sarcochilus species

Specimen species sarco.

Seedling species sarco.

## HYBRID SARCOCHILUS

Predominantly white.

Predominantly pink/red  
Predominantly green/yellow  
Any Other Colour  
Specimen hybrid  
Seedling hybrid

### SPRING SHOW OVERVIEW

#### Grand Champion

*Paph Chouvetii* 'Van Dyke'

M Willoughby & Oui Ju

Also Champion of Open Div



#### Reserve Champion

*Cym Kimberley Splash* 'Tee Pee'

M Willoughby & Oui Ju



#### Champion of Second Division' *Cym Rumours*

Ralph Edwards



*Cym. Rumours*



View of Open Div. display



*Den Yukidaruma* The King from Open Div

Class winners list will be available  
this meeting at the front desk.

## PLANTS LAST MEETING

Although the number of plants tabled were less in number than we have sometimes seen in the past the quality of plants was quite high,. Two of the cyms. shown have won top honours at the prestigious Sydney shows – Vanity Fair `Hollywood' has received an FCC, and Regal Flames `Queen of Hearts' has similarly recently been highly awarded..



Vanity Fair` Hollywood', a developing plant, can have up to 18 blooms per spike on a bigger plant.

This Regal Flames is regarded as one of Australia's top reds.



Regal Flames `Queen of Hearts'



*Paph Norito Hasegawa*

The modern Chinese style hybrids are popular, and producing high quality, colourful seedlings like this one



*Dendrobium striolatum*

A well grown native like this *Den. striolatum* Bicheno Gold is an eye-catching credit to its growers..



Recently discovered, the striking red *Phrag kovachi* is providing wonderful results like this *Phrag Supernova* `Venus'

amongst its progeny, (and sturdy growers, too.).

The Second Div growers are producing creditable results with their culture, and are consistently tabling well grown plants. These Second Div. native orchids add to the spectacle



### **CATTLEYA CULTURE – BEYOND THE BASICS.**

The following notes are based on information from Fred Stewart Orchids of USA. They are among the leading orchid companies in the USA, and their principal representative in Australia for many years was the famous late Frank Slattery of Sydney..

----More cattleya cultural tips.....  
(continued from last month).

3. Cattleyas like light. It is the leaf temperature that does the damage, not the amount of sunlight. Poor light = poor growth and poor quality blooms. Make sure your plant house is good and bright – from 1500 to 3500 foot candles depending on the time of year and the air temperature of your house.

4. Your plants will bloom better the longer they remain undisturbed. If they are growing & flowering well & appear in good health, don't be anxious to repot.



Don't be afraid to let them develop one or even two growths over the pot edge. If a plant has grown over and is still in bloom, attach a half pot to the side of the pot so the leading growths over the edge can root into fresh mix. After flowering is complete, the front portion can be severed and potted up without unduly disturbing the plant.

5. If a plant needs repotting don't do it too soon before flowering. For example, a winter flowering variety should be potted in Spring so it's growth is in full swing .the autumn. Allow for 2-3 months of active growth and 2 or 3 months for development of buds to get best flowering results.

More next month.

## INVITATION.

Members have received an invitation to visit one of the State's top collections of orchids when the flowering season of the Aust. Native *Cymbidium canaliculatum* is in full swing.

The most suitable dates are either Sat. 22<sup>nd</sup> November or Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> November. We will be seeking your support to select the most suitable date next meeting. Please consider whether you may be able to attend. We will need to consider the implications for Covid19 distancing when we attend, but details can be worked out before the date.

## JUST FOR YOUR INFORMATION.

The Cym Club's Spring Show winners at West lakes this year. Here's a selection which caught my eye



Coraki Glowing `Kentlyn`, the Best Large Standard Cym.



Toltrice, the locally bred Grand Champion



Best Seedling –( Khanebono x Joanstar)  
14 blooms.

## ELECTIONS

Please remember our AGM at our November meeting Are you prepared to support your Society by serving on the Committee? There will be vacancies to be filled, so please give it some thought.. Nomination forms will be available at the next meeting.