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M Willoughby holds the Registrar's choice for members to see last meeting.

**June meeting** on the **THIRD** Wednesday of the month June 16<sup>th</sup> at the Adelaide West Uniting Church hall. 312 Sir Donald Bradman Drive Brooklyn Park.

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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*	2021	Dr. Tony Bourne
1992	Peter Speer*, Deane Johnston, Frank Neighbour*, Nancy Neighbour*		
1996	Kevin Gurney, Noel Oliver*		

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

## 2021 PROGRAMME June 16<sup>th</sup> 2021.

Our Life Member and Emeritus Judge, Lesley Gunn is to be our guest speaker this month. Lesley will tell us of her visits to orchid shows and growers down the East Coast of Australia. Don't miss it.

## WINTER SHOW DATES

**10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> JULY at KLEMZIG COMMUNITY CENTRE,**

## Birthdays for June

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

. . Brian Brand   Les Burgess   John Carman   Ben Knobben   John Lampard  
Valarie Burgess   Pauline Rankin   Vanda Rounsefell   Andrew Bird   Jim Cuming

**Next Committee Meeting:** Pine View courtesy/o of Ms J Taylor   Mon June 21st 2021   7.30pm  
**Next Judges Meeting**      **Findon Utg. hall.**      Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2021      7.30pm  
**Next SA Regional Judging Panel Meeting:** Zoom meeting      2021

## **PRESIDENT'S Report**

This month sees the beginning of the Shows for 2021, starting with the SAROC Fair put-in only two days after our Society meeting this month . The dates of the Fair have had to be put back to the weekend after the Queen's birthday weekend, causing some issues for country club members who will not have the luxury of an extra day to travel back home after the close of the Fair. Read on for details about a Saturday night dinner in the Parade Ground hall

We need helpers to operate the canteen, but please follow the Covid Marshall's instructions about regulations for food handlers, distancing, etc.

Keep yourselves safe and observe the rules..whilst the Covid 19 pandemic continues .

, *Trevor Jacob* (President)

### **LAST MEETING.**

Stephen Monkhouse was our guest speaker last meeting, when he told us about culture of zygopetalums and how his breeding developments within the Zygopetalum group of orchids led to a wider colour range and size of blooms, which have been greatly appreciated by the public who are always looking for something new.

This meeting is only two days before the SAROC Fair exhibit goes in at the Torrens Parade Ground, so it will be interesting to see whether members bring along a good number of plants for the display benches or whether they will hold back their best plants for the Fair.

### **THIS MEETING.**

Another of our most experienced and successful exhibitors, Lesley Gunn will

tell us about her orchid exploits whilst travelling along the East Coast of Australia when the Orchid Shows have been on. No doubt this was where she picked up some great tips which she has put to such effective use when staging displays back home. Lesley and Bob have put their orchid growing and judging knowledge to excellent use in selecting and showing their plants, too, and I'm sure you will enjoy Lesley's experiences during her travels.

### **SAROC DINNER**

A **dinner** will be held in the Drill Hall, from 6 to 6.30.p.m on the Saturday evening.. Dinner cost will be \$28 per person, and payment will be taken by our Treasurer then.

Guest speaker for the evening is our own **Peter McCauley**, a quality and experienced speaker.

PLEASE NOTE \*\*Under current conditions we are not permitted to put out containers of nibbles on the tables for people to help themselves, however you are more than welcome to bring your own to share with members at your table before dinner is served.

As in previous years, our Society has been given the responsibility of operating the canteen, and so we are seeking donations of scones and jam; a bulk order of cream has been offered by one club, but if another club would like to share the cost, we are sure that it would be appreciated. Scones can be cooked at home and delivered, covered, as in the past years.

Those handling food will need an apron, gloves, masks ,hairnets and beard nets, which are all supplied.

**It will all be happening on Wednesday evening, 16 June, 2021 ..This meeting will have some very important activities.**

Please bring Your own pen  
Your money to pay for your SAROC dinner.

Please take away purchases (e.g. "Neptune stakes", needed by all members who are benching plants), and paperwork.

### **SAROC FAIR**

This will be the last opportunity you will have to let Jane Higgs know which plants you propose to bring to the SAROC Fair, so that she can prepare all labels. If you have plants you think may be out, register their names and your exhibitor number (if known) with Jane via e-mail [jhiggs@activ8.net.au](mailto:jhiggs@activ8.net.au)

Or, you can give her a list at this coming meeting.

You will also need to pay \$28 per person if you wish to attend the SAROC Dinner on Saturday night. The roster for the SAROC Fair will be sent around again for those who missed it. You are asked to indicate if you plan to donate anything for the kitchen, or volunteering your time to help with any kitchen duties. "Neptune Stakes" (for hygienic plant labelling) will be available at \$2.00 per ten.

### **S.A. Orchidaceous Winter Show 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> July**

Not only is this the final meeting prior to the SAROC Fair, but **it is also the last meeting before our Winter Show.** This is our show in our venue, and we can sell anything on the trading table. **You need to collect sales tickets and sales**

### **lists in preparation for your Trading Table plants**

A roster for the Winter Show will also be passed around, again as we have lost a few of our helpers. **All help will be greatly appreciated.**

The Klemzig Hall will be open from 7.30 am on the Saturday morning for setting up and judging. Open to public from 12 noon.

A last ditch effort – Advertising brochures for the SAROC Fair and out Winter Show are in plentiful supply. Please take them and display them to get as much publicity as possible for BOTH events.

Our Treasurer will have a very busy night this meeting. Please help him out Ed

Unfortunately, we were unable to hold a Fair in 2020 due to COVID, and it was sadly missed by all. SAROC was in recess until April 2021, and the majority of Orchid Clubs in S.A. eagerly anticipated that SAROC would organise one this year. As a result, the SAROC Fair is being planned for 19-20 June 2021, by an energetic group of members, under the leadership of Rob Wood, our Secretary and Show Marshall. I am proud to have been elected as President of SAROC, and I promise to undertake this task to the best of my abilities. I am very aware that a President is not much use without a strong committee, so it is up to Orchid Growers of SA to work with, and to support, our fellow growers.

Our role in SAROC, as I see it, has an expectation of unity amongst the Clubs, and to nurture the education

of growing beautiful flowers, while sharing in the fellowship of other members. There is a place for all people who love orchids, and who wish to share their knowledge. There is also a role for those members whose skills differ from the usual grower module – secretarial skills, for example, are in great demand. For a number of years, you will remember not so much the Ten Tenors, but the Ten Dishwashers, assisted by a very dedicated team of food presenters from the various clubs.

I urge all club members to do what you can and you will be rewarded, not in terms of money, but in knowledge, friendship and camaraderie. We all belong to Clubs which, as well as being involved in the SAROC Fair, also organise individual shows. These combined shows present a great opportunity for making new friends, and for strengthening existing ones. Please join in – we would all be very happy to welcome everybody.

Kind regards, Pauline Simcock

### **CHEERIOS.**

We have a number of members who are having health problems at the present time. We are thinking of you all, and we send our best wishes to you all for a speedy return to better health.

.If you're stuck inside and can't get around like you are accustomed to, you're not missing much at present, with the wind, hail, and rain we're having at present. Cheer up, keep warm, and we trust things will soon change for the better for you.

### **PLANTS LAST MONTH.**

There's one thing about not having many cymbidiums out in bloom at the moment, the buds are pushing up from the sheaths along the flower stems, and give a feeling of great anticipation for the season ahead. The other thing, of course for those who grow some of the other orchids which are in flower now, is that there's lots of really interesting types, not too difficult to grow, but which give a great sense of satisfaction to see some of the weird and different flowers.

We saw some last month, when two exhibitors each brought in a beautifully grown catasetum, - the same crossing, but one featuring the more normal looking male flowers on a spray, the other showing a shorter spike featuring upside down, bucket shape blooms which are the female blooms. Strangely, on another flowering, the situation could be reversed, and to really be strange, sometimes they have both types of blooms on the one stem.

In earlier times, this unusual feature fooled even the experts, until it was realised that what they thought were two different plants, were really only the one. But that's not all. Look at the close-up of the single male flower on P8 and you will see the white, pointy bit on the end of the column. That happens to be a trigger, which shoots out the pollen lumps of pollen (which have a sticky patch attached), and which fly out and stick when touched by a bee. The bee then flies to another (female flower) in search of nectar, the pollen lumps stick to a different sticky

patch on that flower, and so effect pollination.



Raceme of male flowers, each bloom with a loaded gun

The autumn blooming cattleyas are holding up well, despite the cold weather.



Both Trevor Hutchison and Peter Haltis showed three very nice cattleya type plants, and Richard Wilson's *Rothara*

Deception added a bright spot to the Open benches.



Seedlings can be really good. The oncidium in Open Div showed great contrast in its colouration



*Cym tracyanum*

The small flowered *Cymbidium* Morialta 'Morialta Falls' is a flowering machine and should be in every newer grower's collection, and the species *Cym tracyanum* is a reliable early species, and its unusual shape adds another dimension to the cymbidiums you can grow.

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## COMPETITION RESULTS.

### CYMBIDIUMS Under 60 mm

Second Div  
1<sup>st</sup> Morialta `Morialta Falls' D Bird

### SPECIES CYMBIDIUMS

Second Div  
1<sup>st</sup> *tracyanum* S Laznicka

### STANDARD LAELIINAE 80mm & OVER

First Div  
1<sup>st</sup> *Rlc* Chibcogan Song P & H Haltis

### STANDARD LAELIINAE Under 80 mm

Open Div  
1<sup>st</sup> *Rth* Deception Variable R & B Wilson

### Non Standard LAELIINAE

First Div  
1<sup>st</sup> *Lc* Australian `Frangipani' P & H Haltis  
2<sup>nd</sup> *C* Rosella's Pink Angel P & H Haltis

### STANDARD CLUSTER LAELIINAE

First Div  
1<sup>st</sup> *C* Portiata `Mel' T Hutchison

### NON STANDARD CLUSTER LAELIINAE

First Div  
1<sup>st</sup> *Ctt* Porcia `Cannizaro' T Hutchison  
2<sup>nd</sup> *Ctt* Roman Bouquet T Hutchison

### SPECIES PAPHIOPEDILUMS

Open Div  
1<sup>st</sup> *Paph* *spicerianum* `Kev' M Willoughby & Oui Ju

## May 2021

### DENDROBIUMS

Open Div  
1<sup>st</sup> Chao Praya Sweet x Garish M Willoughby & Oui Ju

Second Div  
1<sup>st</sup> Unknown S Laznicka

### AUSTRALIAN NATIVE EPIPHYTE HYBRIDS

Open Div  
1<sup>st</sup> *Den* Avril's Gold J & D Higgs

First Div  
1<sup>st</sup> *Den* Hilda Poxon P & H Haltis

### AUSTRALIAN NATIVE EPIPHYTE SPECIES

Open Div  
1<sup>st</sup> *Den* *bowmanii* M Willoughby & Oui Ju

### AUST. NATIVE TERRESTRIAL SPECIES

Open Div  
1<sup>st</sup> *Ptst* *sanguinea* J & D Higgs

### ONCIDIINAE HYBRID

Open Div  
1<sup>st</sup> *Onc* Dark Sun x River of Gold M Willoughby & Oui Ju

2<sup>nd</sup> ? Chian Tay Lovely M Willoughby & Oui Ju

Second Div  
1<sup>st</sup> *Onc* Pacific Pagan `Kilauea' J & D Cassar

### ONCIDIINAE SPECIES

Open Div  
1<sup>st</sup> *Milt* *moreliana* M Willoughby & Oui Ju

### OTHER GENERA HYBRIDS

Open Div  
1<sup>st</sup> *Cstm* Lovena `Veronica' R & B Wilson  
2<sup>nd</sup> *Cstm* Lovena `Cassidy' M Willoughby & Oui Ju

### OTHER GENERA SPECIES

Open Div  
1<sup>st</sup> *Sngl* *longifolia* J & D Higgs

### ZYGOPETALINAE HYBRIDS

Second Div  
1<sup>st</sup> Z Iron Baron J & D Cassar

### SEEDLING

Open Div  
1<sup>st</sup> *Onc* Dark Sun x River of Gold M Willoughby & Oui Ju

First Div  
1<sup>st</sup> *C* Rosella's Pink Angel P & H Haltis

### POPULAR VOTE

Open Div  
1<sup>st</sup> *Onc* Dark Sun x River of Gold M Willoughby & Oui Ju

2<sup>nd</sup> Chao Praya Sweet x Garish M Willoughby & Oui Ju

3<sup>rd</sup> *Cstm* Lovena `Veronica' R & B Wilson

First Div  
1<sup>st</sup> *Lc* Australian Frangipani P & H Haltis  
2<sup>nd</sup> *Rlc* Chincogan Song P & H Haltis  
3<sup>rd</sup> *Den* Hilda Poxon P & H Haltis

Second Div  
1<sup>st</sup> *Cym* *tracyanum* S Laznicka  
2<sup>nd</sup> *Cym* Morialta `Morialta Falls' D Bird  
3<sup>rd</sup> *Onc* Pacific Pagan `Kilauea' J & D Cassar

**BEST ORCHID IN EACH  
DIVISION**

**Open Division**

**Den Chao Praya Sweet x  
Garish**

**M WILLOUGHBY & Oui JU**

**First Division**

**Lc Australian Frangipani**

**P & H HALTIS**

**Second Division**

***Cymbidium tracyanum***

**Sarka LAZNICKA**

**REGISTRAR'S CHOICE**

**Den Chao Praya Sweet x  
Garish**

**M WILLOUGHBY & Oui JU**



**Best seedling**  
**Onc. Dark Sun x River of Gold.**



*Catasetum Lovena* `Veronica' (male flower)



*Catasetum Lovena* `Cassidy' (female flower)





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