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“Whew! This one’s easy, I think.”. Jane Higgs divides one of the public’s cym. at our Sales Day.

Oct. meeting on the **THIRD** Wednesday of the month October 20th 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 October 20th 2021.

Our main feature this month will be the special Sarcophilus night, with special judging classes. This will be in addition to our regular classes for showing your monthly orchids. We hope to have some pictures from our recent Spring Show at Gilles Plains and from our recent trip to the Aldinga Scrub as well. REMEMBER, COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS CLOSE FRIDAY 22nd OCT. Nomination forms will be available this meeting.

Birthdays for October.

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

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

Next Committee Meeting: Pine View courtesy of Ms J Taylor Mon. October 25th 2021
Next Judges Meeting Nov.22nd 2021 at Peter Haltis's home 7.30pm
Next SA Regional Judging Panel Meeting: Zoom meetings as advised for 2021

PRESIDENT'S Report

It was good that the local orchid clubs were able to overcome obstacles so that they were able to stage some attractive orchid shows in this year of uncertain availability of venues due to Covid concerns even though their length was shortened in some cases.. A number of other horticultural clubs unfortunately were forced to abandon their shows this year. Let's hope we can all return to some normalcy next year.

Numbers of plants tabled at our meetings have been reduced on a number of occasions so it was good to see the increased support by First & Second Div growers at our Spring Show. Open growers with blooms also rallied so that we were able to stage a nice show.

The Judging Panel is actively reviewing the makeup of the various classes at Shows and meetings, and some revisions may be expected when they are finalised for the new year's competitions

At the time of writing, there are still not enough nominations to fill all committee positions at the November Annual General Meeting. Please consider whether you can make a contribution to the operation of our Society by offering your services towards running our club. We have operated our Society successfully for 56 years for the benefit of orchid growers in SA, - let's keep it up.

Our second Sales day was supported by a number of members and we had a good variety of plants of all types, and other growing aids like pots, fertilisers etc for the general public to purchase (and for members, too, from seeing the level of activity as soon as sales began. Public interest was steady, and Jane Higgs was

busy doing potting demonstrations almost the whole day. (see cover picture). The Klemzig Community hall was very satisfactory to our needs and no football made parking easy. Well done Garry, for negotiating with the Council.

, *Trevor Jacob* (President)

LAST MEETING.

Last month, Jane Higgs revisited the last very successful Aust. Orchid Conference held in Perth Each State or location has orchids which seem to be the local specialty of the area, and Jane's photos brought back great memories for those who were lucky enough to have attended, and some wonderful individual plants and displays for all of us to enjoy Their local native orchids growing in situ were a feature, too. Thank you, Jane. It brought back memories for me, too.

THIS MEETING.

Each month brings along a progression of orchids which reach their flowering peak at specific times of the year. October is a great month to view the sarcochilus crop, and we have a supplementary show display because of the great interest in the advances and new hybrids which have been a feature of this Australian genus. Phil and Anne Steer have provided a fitting perpetual trophy for the champion sarco. in honour of Elva and Gordon Shawyer, tireless stalwarts of our Society in its formative days. The regular genera blooming in Spring should be in their prime, too, and we hope to have representatives of many of the competition classes for all members to enjoy. We hope to have views of the recent Spring Show at Gilles Plains, and some views of the Society walk at the

Aldinga Scrub, too, as well as a report on the successful workshop and sales day at the Klemzig hall on Oct. 4th, which was successful for sellers and buyers alike.



The above two pictures are of the intergeneric hybrid Sartylis.'Braveheart'. Most sarco. flower within a few years of purchase but there's a story with this attractive variety. It's owned by longstanding and well known member, Peter McCauley. If you can't talk to him before the end of next meeting, we'll reveal his secret in the next Review. The late Noel Oliver had trouble flowering his Sartylis, and he eventually lost patience and passed it on to Kevin Trevan , who took great delight in flowering it with a beautiful long raceme of blooms and

telling Noel all about it. Peter's experience is well worth hearing, too.

SARCOCHILUS SHOW SCHEDULE 2021.

Special classes for Sarco's. will be separately judged for species and hybrids, and, as usual, **will be judged separately for Open, First, and Second Divisions.**

The Perpetual Trophy donation made by Phil Steer to honour the work of Elva and Gordon Shawyer for our Society in its earlier years will be awarded for **Overall Champion Sarcocochilus** selected from all Divisions. Competition Classes include

SPECIES SARCOCHILUS.

Best *Sarcocochilus hartmannii*

Other Sarcocochilus species

Specimen species sarco.

Seedling species sarco.

HYBRID SARCOCHILUS

Predominantly white.

Predominantly pink/red

Predominantly green/yellow

Any Other Colour

Specimen hybrid

Seedling hybrid

Please try to get your plants in early, as the judges need to provide space for all the above classes in addition to the normal monthly judging classes

SPRING SHOW 2021

The Spring Show at Gilles Plains was our first held for less than a week, but the standard of plants displayed was good, and the First and Second Div combined display was one of the best

we've staged in recent times. The Open Div. growers showed some classy and well grown orchids, too, and gave the public an idea of the range which can be grown in South Australia.



Growers in 1st and 2nd Divs provided a well arranged display.

Major Awards. –

GRAND CHAMPION

Den Tyabb 'Young Splendour'
M Willoughby & O Ju

RESERVE CHAMPION

Onc. Isler's Goldragen
M Willoughby & O Ju

CHAMPION OPEN DIVISION

Den Tyabb 'Young Splendour'
M Willoughby & O Ju

CHAMPION FIRST DIVISION

Cym. Radiant Ruby 'Aussie Gem'
P & H Haltis

CHAMPION SECOND DIVISION

Cym. Crackerjack R Edwards

BEST SPECIMEN ORCHID

OPEN DIV

Paph. Chouvetii 'Van Dyke' J & D Higgs

FIRST DIV

Maxillaria porphyrostele P & H Haltis

SECOND DIV.

Epidendrum 'Lavender Queen' J&D Cassar

PLANTS LAST MONTH.



Prosthechea Sunburst, from the same family as the cockleshell orchid, *Psh cochleata*, one of the best from this genus.



Den Tyabb 'Young Splendour', a vigorous and easily flowered orchid, winner at shows and monthly meetings.



C Rosella's Precious One, a small but very high quality laeliinae hybrid, with eyecatching colour and shape, from Sarka Laznicka – my pick of the orchids from Second division.



Paph Mt. Toro 'Seaview', one of the less easily grown slipper orchids, always popular with Open Div growers and judges, a well grown plant like this makes an attractive exhibit.



This dainty intergeneric zygopetalinae hybrid was one of two miniature zygos benched. The crossing suggests John Seidel had a hand in its breeding.



This mini zygo had three spikes, a good effort for such a small plant

SALES DAY

A big thank you to all members who helped to make our Orchid Opportunities Day a success. Originally, we had had it booked for early November, but the hire of the hall was prohibitive. We were able to get the Klemzig Hall for the last Saturday in November, but this was too late in the year and most orchids would have finished flowering. The chance to hold the event on Monday 04 October was available although it only gave us just on a month to get everything under way. If this is to become an annual event, we need to decide on a date and book early. Last year's event had about five members bringing in plants.

We had a successful day this year with the event on a public holiday, across the other side of town, with limited time for advertising and with the event on a public holiday; we had no idea as to how it would work out.

People kept asking me how many tables we needed, and where to put them. I knew where I wanted the checkout, repotting table, mounting table and orchid

accessories, but had no idea who was bringing in sale items and how much. We ended up using 26 tables.

Some members may be disappointed that they did not sell as much as was available; one member sold all of a particular plant brought in last year, and not one of the same plant this year.

I was standing next to Don and asked if Jane would ever speak to me again, because a man had just brought in a pot of orchids that needed a wheelbarrow for transport. Fortunately, about 80% of the pot was dead, decayed bulbs; it was in fact, easier to divide than some of the other plants. (More plants were brought in this year for repotting/dividing – the word has got around).

Apart from the financial side it was a very worthwhile exercise in allowing members to catch up, not in the pressured confines of a meeting or show.

Who was the person I received the following email from:

You ALL did very well. Orchids and other plants were well presented, and I was looked after very nicely by a helpful and knowledgeable lady. Thank you.

ORCHIDS WITH POTENTIAL

Those who visited our recent Spring Show at the Gilles Plains Shopping Centre may have noticed tables on our trading table (up from 5 to 8 tables for this show). The tables were covered with blue plastic, and had orange signs, with the plants bearing bright yellow tags. Jill Taylor and Brian and Shirley Brand have not been able to give their plants the TLC that they normally would have received. Brian, Shirley and Jill were all keen to reduce the number of plants they had, so we set up a separate area indicating that the plants had potential, but had missed the care and attention.

Thankyou to Peter McCauley for help with pricing, but more for the cleaning up of the plants. At one stage he had to have a break to allow his fingers to start working again.

I listed the plants as having potential although not looking pretty, some members bought plants to use for breeding, another saw the opportunity of buying plants ready to be divided and thereby getting two (or more) for the price of one. One particular plant that nobody wanted, even after marking down, was a deep red with a contrasting white lip, I succumbed and bought it. After putting it in the vacant shop, a plant in the Open Division display caught my eye; I checked it and discovered that it was one of Jane's, and it was what the one I had just bought should look like.

Members should look out for more of these opportunities on our sales tables.



Thankyou, Garry Ed.

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COMPETITION RESULTS.

CYMBIDIUMS OVER 90 mm

Second Div

- 1st Rumours 'Desiree' R Edwards
 2nd Ruby Anniversary 'Pink Surprise' R Edwards
 3rd Unnamed J & D Cassar

CYMBIDIUMS 60—90 mm

Second Div

- 1st Alison Shaw R Edwards

CYMBIDIUMS Under 60 mm

Open Div

- 1st Devon Shell x Mem Amelia Earhart
 M Willoughby & Oui Ju

Second Div

- Mary Green (no points) J & D Cassar

STANDARD LAELIINAE

Second Div

- 1st C Rosella's Precious One S Laznicka

Non Standard Cluster LAELIINAE

- Psh Sunburst M Willoughby & Oui Ju

Non Standard LAELIINAE

Second Div

- 1st Ctyh Siam Jade 'Ontario' R Edwards

Non Standard PAPHIOPEDILUMS

Open Div

- 1st Mt Toro 'Seaview'. M Willoughby & Oui Ju

SPECIES PAPHIOPEDILUMS

Open Div

- 1st Paph villosum fma annanense
 M Willoughby & Oui Ju
 2nd Paph venustum 'Tony' ?

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DENDROBIUMS

Second Div

- 1st Merlin-Flake J & D Cassar

AUSTRALIAN NATIVE EPIPHYTE HYBRIDS

Open Div

- 1st Tyabb 'Young Splendour' M Willoughby & Oui Ju
 2nd Newbold Beauty M Willoughby & Oui Ju
 3rd Newbold Beauty 'Bonito' M Willoughby & Oui Ju

First Div

- 1st Den Special Rainbow 'Hillview'
 A & P Steer

2nd Div

- 1st (Aussie Springtime x Ellen) x *kingianum*
 S Laznicka
 2nd Den Delicatum V Rounsefell

AUST NATIVE EPIPHYTE SPECIES

Second Div

- 1st Den *kingianum* D Bird
 2nd Den *kingianum* S Laznicka

OTHER GENERA SPECIES

Open Div

- 1st Max *porphyrostele* 'Pinny'
 M Willoughby & Oui Ju

Second Div

- 1st Max *porphyrostele* S Laznicka

ZYGOPETALINAE HYBRIDS

Open Div

- 1st Fsh Mellow x Pbt Zodiac
 M Willoughby & Oui Ju
 2nd Z Unnamed T & M Jacob

SEEDLING

Open Div

- 1st Cym Devon Shell x Mem Amelia Earhart
 M Willoughby & Oui Ju
 2nd Den Newbold Beauty
 M Willoughby & Oui Ju
 3rd Den Newbold Beauty 'Bonito'
 M Willoughby & Oui Ju

POPULAR VOTE

Open Div

- 1st Den Tyabb 'Young Splendour'
 M Willoughby & Oui Ju
 2nd Paph Toro M Willoughby & Oui Ju
 3rd Paph villosum M Willoughby & Oui Ju
 First Div
 1st Den Special Rainbow 'Hillview'
 A & P Steer

Second Div

- 1st Den (Aussie Springtime x Ellen) x
kingianum S Laznicka
 2nd Max *porphyrostele* S Laznicka
 3rd Cym Mary Green J & D Cassar

Aldinga Scrub Walk



BEST ORCHID IN EACH DIVISION

Open Division

***Den striolatum* 'Tassie Gold'**

M WILLOUGHBY & OUI JU

First Division

***Den* SPECIAL RAINBOW
'Hillview'
A & P STEER**

Second Division

***Maxillaria porphyrostele*
Sarka LAZNICKA**

REGISTRAR'S CHOICE

Maxillaria porphyrostele

SARKA LAZNICKA



Den striolatum 'Tassie Gold'



Cym Devon Shell x Mem . Amelia Earhart



Mexican species *Maxillaria porphyrostele*, easily grown, and. a good one for new growers to try

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COMPETITION RESULTS.

CYMBIDIUMS OVER 90 mm

Open Div
1st Apache Flame x Pepper Blaze
M Willoughby & Oui Ju

First Div
1st Spicy Khan `Comet` P & H Haltis
2nd Lunar Blaze x Red Khan P & H Haltis

Second Div
1st Kimberley Jewel R Edwards
2nd Pink Dream R Edwards

CYMBIDIUMS 60—90 mm

Open Div
1st Rolf Bolin hyb .x Valley Splash
M Willoughby & Oui Ju

Second Div
1st Gentle Touch `Bon Bon` D Bird
2nd Jimbo Blaze J & D Cassar
3rd Apache Blaze x Pepper Blaze D Bird

CYMBIDIUMS Under 60 mm

Open Div
1st Sarah Jean `Icicle` N & V Cooper
2nd Templestowe Dream `Aiden`
M Willoughby & Oui Ju

Second Div
1st Unknown R Edwards
2nd Mimi `Sophie` R Edwards
3rd Unknown D Bird

SPECIES LAELIINAE

Open Div
1st *Neolauchia pulchella* K Western

STANDARD PAPHIOPEDILUMS

Open Div
1st Winston Churchill `Dr A Bourne`
M Willoughby & Oui Ju

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Non Standard PAPHIOPEDILUMS

Open Div
1st Chouvetii `van Dyke`
M Willoughby & Oui Ju
2nd Goya J Seidel

SPECIES PAPHIOPEDILUMS

Open Div
1st *Paph villosum fma annanense*
M Willoughby & Oui Ju

AUSTRALIAN NATIVE EPIPHYTE HYBRIDS

Open Div
1st Den Issy's Snow M Willoughby & Oui Ju
First Div
1st Den Vic. Stripe x Vic. Flare P & H Haltis
2nd Div
1st Den Aussie Starlight J & D Cassar
2nd Den Bardo Rose x Rutherford Starburst
V Rounsefell
3rd Den Aust Rhubarb Pie x Jazz
J & D Cassar

AUST NATIVE EPIPHYTE SPECIES

Open Div
1st *Sarcochilus falcatus* K Western

AUST NATIVE TERRESTRIAL SPECIES

Open Div
1st *Diuris conspillata* J & D Higgs
Second Div
1st *Pterostylis curta* D Bird

OTHER GENERA SPECIES

Open Div
1st *Serapias lingua* J & D Higgs
2nd *Serapias neglecta* J & D Higgs

Second Div
1st *Bletilla striata* D Bird
2nd *Serapias lingua* D Bird

ONCIDIINAE HYBRIDS

Open Div
1st *Bcd Gilded Tower`Mystic Moon`*
J & DHiggs
Second Div
1st *Onc Twinkle`Fragrant Fantasy`*
J & D Cassar
2nd *Onc Twinkle`Pink Profusion`*
J & D Cassar

ZYGOPETALINAE HYBRIDS

Open Div
1st *Zga Freestyle Meadows`*
M Willoughby & Oui Ju

SEEDLING

Open Div
1st *Cym Darch Hero x Kimberley Splash`*
M Willoughby & Oui Ju

Second Div
1st *Den Aust Rhubarb Pie x Jazz`* J & D Cassar
2nd *Cym Pink Dream`* R Edwards
3rd *Cym Apache Flame x Pepper Blaze`* D Bird

POPULAR VOTE

Open Div
1st *Den Issy's Snow`* M Willoughby & Oui Ju
2nd *Cym Sarah Jean `Icicle`* N & V Cooper
3rd *Paph Goya`* J Seidel
First Div
1st *Cym Spicy Khan `Comet`* P & H Haltis
2nd *Cym Lunar Blaze x Red Khan`* P & H Haltis

3rd *Den* Victorian Stripe x Vic Flare P & H Haltis
Second Div
1st *Cym* Mimi ` Sophie. R Edwards
2nd *Den* Aussie Starlight J & D Cassar
3rd *Onc* Twinkle Fragrant Fantasy J & D Cassar

**BEST ORCHID IN EACH
DIVISION**

Open Division

***Paph* CHOUVETII ` Van
Dyke'
Jane & Don HIGGS**

First Division

***Den.* VIC. STRIPES x
VICTORIAN FLARE
Peter & Helen HALTIS**

Second Division

***Cymbidium* UNKNOWN**

Ralph Edwards

REGISTRAR'S CHOICE

***Paph* CHOUVETII ` Van
Dyke'**

Jane & Don HIGGS