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Our First Place display at the Orchid Fair. Lovely backdrop, and beautifully presented. Well done, all.

This meeting, we will hear a talk from Les Nesbit, Patron and Life Member of the SA Native Orchid Society, one of our State's foremost and long-serving experts on native terrestrial orchids. He will tell us how he grows the dainty greenhoods.

June meeting 19th June at Long St, Plympton --- 7.30 pm. access

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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*	2022	Pauline Simcock, Garry Simcock
		2023	Sarka Laznicka, Peter McCauley, Jan Whibley, Charles Yeo.
1996	Kevin Gurney, Noel Oliver*		

*Denotes deceased member Researched K.Gurney.

2024 PROGRAMME Wednesday June 19th 2024.

Les Nesbitt is a well known expert and speaker on S.A' native orchids, and he will tell us this meeting about how he grow native terrestrial greenhood orchids, particularly greenhoods. It will be a good meeting to brush up on your culture for newer growers and old hands alike.

Birthdays for June 2024

Best wishes to these members, who have birthdays this month.

Brian Brand John Carman Vanda Rounsefell Andrew Bird Jim Cuming

Next Committee Meeting: *Monday May 24th 2024 at Findon. Western Link Uniting.*
Next Judges Meeting *TO BE ADVISED at Findon*
Next SA Regional Judging Panel Meeting *As advised for 2024 by Reg Judging Pane.l*

FROM LITTLE THINGS BIG THINGS GROW. D Bird.

_____ In 2013, my grandson, Andrew asked me to transport him to an orchid club meeting, 'The South Australian Orchidaceous Society Inc.'

I was only too happy to help him out, as he had such a great interest in all things horticultural. I also took him to the Fern Society meetings for a while until Andrew's other Granny took over that pleasure. I was mildly interested in orchids at that stage having been given some lovely cymbidiums from Valley Orchids, by Bevan's mum.

Little did I know how easy it was to get the 'Bug' as I soon enjoyed the meetings, the friendly members, and soon became known as 'Granny' for a while as Andrew endeared himself to the club members as a very enthusiastic 'Junior Member'. Everyone was so generous with their knowledge and gifts of plants to both of us we soon had a nice collection.



I will never forget the meeting just before an AGM when John Dunn persuaded me to nominate for the 'Committee'. Little did I know that years later I would become the President. During those years, Andrew tried many genera of orchids, grew them well and marched through the Divisions to Open Division.



I am still in Second Division, and very happy to stay there. Andrew had a lovely glasshouse and fernhouse, and eventually came to specialise in Paphiopedilums and Australian Native orchids. I tended to grow those more suited to a fern house as that is all I have..

During the years, Andrew and I have spent wonderful times together finding different native orchids in the Aldinga Scrub, Fox Creek, Mt. Billy, Woodlow parks and Kuitpo Forest, to name a few.

One of the biggest thrills was the day he and I found some *Caleana major* (duck orchids) on a dry dirt track in Kuitpo Forest. I had seen them when visiting Australia, but was overjoyed to have found them in South Australia

I have enjoyed being a member of our great club and have made so many friends. Little did I know what a big door was opened when a 13 year old boy asked his `Granny' to drive him to an orchid club meeting

Diana

PRESIDENT'S Report

Hello, members. I must first of all thank everyone for the lovely showing at our Autumn Show. We had a good lot of plants for the display and also the trading tables and it was also a very enjoyable social occasion with members past and present enjoying a chat over a cup of tea nor coffee ..Although we did not get as many people through the door this year, the Society made a handy profit on the day.

Last meeting, we enjoyed very much Kyle Howard's talk on the native orchids of the Victorian Region of Australia, and we look forward to the coming talk by Les Nesbitt at our June meeting.

We have just concluded the South Australian Orchid Fair and it , too, was a grand success, both from the point of view of the plants displayed, and the social interaction between members of the various clubs participating. Thank you, members, for the operation of the

kitchen facilities, for which our Society has been responsible for many years, and for Garry and Pauline in organising its continuing success.

Thank you, too, for Deane Johnston again efficiently organising our judges into the various teams and procedures, and I would particularly thank, on your behalf, the efforts of the unobtrusive results recording team, (Pauline Simcock and Bob Gunn I noticed particularly) .for the way they worked on the tabulations well after the judges had concluded their deliberations.

Our display was lovely, and contributed to the overall effect of all clubs' efforts in bringing and exhibiting the orchids their members had in bloom. Jane Higgs and her offsiders always make most aesthetic displays from the plants our members supply, and this year's display was no exception.

The library will be operating again this month with a new set of books for you to choose. Please

promptly return the ones now out on loan so others have them available to read, too.

Please note that unfinancial members will soon stop getting the Review, so if you are unsure, please check with Garry so that you continue to receive your Review.

With the rain at last coming, our plants should start to come to life, along with our gardens, so bring on more rain and big smiles from everyone.

, **Diana Bird** (President)

LAST MEETING --

Kyle Howard, accompanied by his father, Steve, came along last month and Kyle told us, together with beautifully illustrated photos of Kyle's work in studying, identifying, and recording the habitats of the colonies of native ground orchids growing in South Aust. And Victoria. Changing climate conditions will make it increasingly important in the years ahead to be able to identify and preserve the habitats of our native orchids and plants. Thank you, Kyle.

VALE.

For many years, Bev. Gaye has been known across our State as a stalwart of the Murray Bridge and South Coast Orchid Clubs together with husband, John Gaye, and it made her many friends among the orchid growing fraternity sad to hear of Bev's recent passing

The cymbidium growers across many clubs were also saddened to hear of Barry Bailey's recent passing, too. Barry maintained a high quality commercial orchid collection, and was widely known

for his sharing of knowledge and his generosity to newer growers and experienced growers alike.

WINTER SHOW DATES.

Set-up Friday 2nd August From 4pm, followed by judging at approx. 6.30pm

Open to public Saturday 3rd Aug from 9 am to 4 pm.

Sunday 4th August after morning Church service from 12 n to 4 pm..

There will be a **trading table** for orchids and any other plants, books, pots etc you may like to sell Our treasurer, Garry Simcock, will have Sales sheets available for you to list plants you may like to sell. Helpers on the Trading table will be needed.. We can sell anything in our own hall environment (within reason)

CHEERIOS

Trevor Hutchison has had a recent fall whilst doing maintenance work on his shadehouses but has recovered enough to visit the OrchidFair last weekend. Can't keep a good man down.!

PLANTS TABLED LAST MEETING

We had some lovely large specimen sized plants benched last meeting, just before our Autumn Show, so I've selected some of the better photos to show this month.

Some of these shots were taken from our display at the Autumn Show We had lots of all sorts of plants on sale for the public's selection, too.



Display at our Autumn Show. Beautifully finished, not a pot was showing.



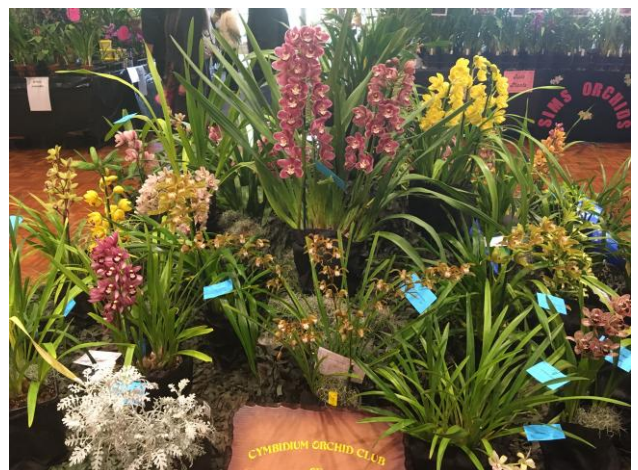
This is *Ctt Browniae* 'Riga' from Michael & Oui at the Autumn Show, one of the easiest to grow of the cluster type cattleyas.



Sarka Laznicka grows this *RLC Village Chief* 'North 'Green Genius' just about

better than anyone. Shown here in the Autumn show it went on to be Champion Orchid of the Orchid Fair Congratulations, Sarka.

Here, Sarka receives acknowledgement from Pauline Simcock, President of SAROC and from Deane Johnston, Judging Registrar at the Orchid Fair.



Cym Club's floor display at the Orchid Fair. A creditable display, as the Best Mid season cym's flower later in the season. Their main show is at West Lakes Sunday 25th August to Sat 31st August -- Shopping Hours Well worth a visit.

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COMPETITION RESULTS May 2024

CYM Under 60mm

Open Div

1st *Cym* Ba Trieu P & H Haltis

SPECIES CYMBIDIUM

Open Div

1st *Cym tracyanum* P & H Haltis.

STANDARD LAELIINAE 80mm & Over.

Open Div

1st *C* Ovation M Willoughby & Oui Ju

STANDARD LAELIINAE Under 80mm

Open Div.

1st *C* Dal's Elite M Willoughby & Oui Ju

NON standard Laeliinae

First Div

1st *Laelianthe* Wrigleyi J & D Cassar

Second Div

1st *Ctt* Little Fairy D Bird

STANDARD CLUSTER LAELIINAE

Second Div

1st *Rlc* Village Chief North ' Green Genius'
S Laznicka

NON STANDARD CLUSTER LAELIINAE

Open Div

1st *Ctt* Browniae Riga' M Willoughby & Oui Ju

2nd *Bc* Binosa `Kirk J Seidel

Second Div

1st *Ctt* Meadii S Laznicka

SPECIES LAELIINAE

Second Div 1st *Laelia anceps* R Crinion

NON STANDARD shape PAPHS.

Open Div.

1st *Via* George J Seidel

2nd *Celler* Froude J Seidel

3rd *Henrietta* Fujiwara J Seidel

SPECIES PAPHIOPEDILUM

Open Div

1st *gratrixianum* J Seidel

2nd *wardii* `Seaview' M Willoughby & Oui Ju

3rd *spicerianum* `Petite' M Willoughby & Oui
Ju

DENDROBIUM

First Div

1st *Yaya* Victoria J & D Cassar
& R Huddleston

AUST> NATIVE EPIPHYTE HYBRID

Second Div

1st *Hilda* Poxon R Edwards

ONCIDIINAE HYBRIDS

Open Div

1st *Onc* Sharry Baby M Willoughby & Oui Ju

2nd *Bra?* Aztec `Toni' M Willoughby & Oui Ju

3rd *Onc* Aka Baby M Willoughby & Oui Ju

First Div

1st *Onc* Aka Baby J & D Cassar

Second Div

1st *Onc* Sweet Sugar R Edwards

ONCIDIINAE SPECIES

Open Div

1st *Milt* *moreliana* M Willoughby & Oui Ju

2nd *Gom* *radicans* M Willoughby & Oui Ju

OTHER GENERA HYBRIDS

Second Div

1st *Lyc* x *mitchellii* R Edwards

2nd *Lyc* Shoalhaven x Alwine Miller R Edwards

ZYGOPETALUM HYBRIDS

Open Div

1st *Z B G* White P & H Haltis

2nd *Z* Kiwwi Choice P & H Haltis

3rd *Z* Kiwi Fifty one `Ki' M Willoughby & Oui Ju

Second Div

1st *Zga* Denpasar x *Z* Big Country D Bird

2nd *Z* Blue Lake R Edwards

3rd Unknown D Bird

SEEDLINGS

Open Div

1st *Paph* *Via* George J Seidel

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POPULAR VOTE

Open Div

1st *Onc* Sharry Baby `Sweet Fragrance'
M Willoughby & O Ju

2nd *Cym* Ba Trieu P & H Haltis

3rd *Paph* *gratrixianum* J Seidel

First Div

1st *Den* *Yaya* Victoria J & D Cassar
& R Huddleston

2nd *Lnt* Wrigleyi J & D Cassar
& R Huddleston

3rd *Onc* Aka Baby J & D Cassar
& R Huddleston

Second Div.

1st *Rlc* Village Chief North ' Green Genius'
S Laznicka

2nd *Lyc* Shoalhaven x Alwine Miller R Edwards

BEST ORCHID IN DIVISION

Open Division

***Onc Sharry Baby* `Sweet
Fragrance**

M Willoughby & Oui Ju

First Division

Den Unknown

**J & D Cassar & R
Huddleston**

Second Division

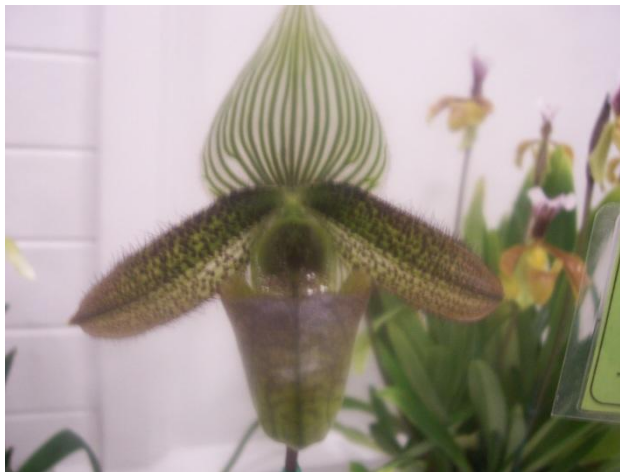
**RLC Village Chief North
'Green Genius'**

S Laznicka

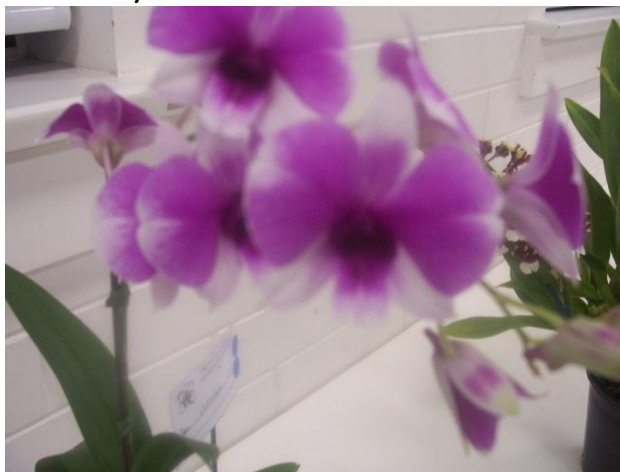
REGISTRAR'S CHOICE

***Onc Sharry Baby* 'Sweet
Fragrance**

M Willoughby & Oui Ju



Paph wardii. This is a very fine plant, beautifully grown, which has more stems growing, so it will be in bloom for many months yet to come



Den Unnamed, from the Cassars



Diana Bird is growing this bright yellow Ctt Little Fairy extremely well, to brighten up our wintry weather.

Richard Crinion brought along the only species laeliinae shown on the night, *Laelia anceps*. Well done, Richard.



Ralph Edwards regularly brings in his Lycastes, for us to see.

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