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This seedling was the finest of a number of the same cross shown last month..

This year's Christmas meeting is on **Wednesday DECEMBER 18th** at the Long St, Plympton Community Centre, **entry from 5.15 pm for hall set-up. Arrive about 6 pm for 6.30 dinner start.** before the regular meeting, commencing at about 8pm

Perpetual Trophy awards, and prizes for Aggregate Plant Competition will be distributed. A Christmas Raffle will be conducted Your donation of raffle prizes will be welcome, but not essential, and please make it a present which you would be happy to win.

A BYO Licence has been obtained, and soft drinks will be available as usual.

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THE PARLIAMENTARY MEMBER FOR WEST TORRENS..**

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2024

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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*	2022 Pauline Simcock, Garry Simcock
1996 Kevin Gurney, Noel Oliver*	2023 Sarka Laznicka Peter McCauley Jan Whibley Charles Yeo
	2024 John Seidel Val Speer

*Denotes deceased member

Researched K.Gurney.

2024 PROGRAMME **Wednesday December 18th 2024.**

Christmas Dinner Celebration of the 2024 year. followed by presentation of Perpetual Trophies and plants for Aggregate plant competition winners..

Come along for our social meeting from about 8 pm even if you can't make the 6.30 pm dinner. Soft drinks as usual BYO licence obtained will allow BYO refreshments and glasses. Christmas Raffle and Music.

Birthdays for December. 2024

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

Carmel Edwards Sofia Hadiuk Peng-Ha Yeo Sarka Laznicka

Next Committee Meeting: *Uniting Church hall 93 Crittenden Rd Findon Jan 20th 2023*
Next Judges Meeting *To be advised*

AGGREGATE POINTS PRIZEWINNERS in each Judging Division 2024

OPEN DIVISION

Aggregate points needed in each category to win seedling 10 points

Exhibitors qualifying for prizes This year 3 growers. (Last year 3 growers).

Jane & Don Higgs (1 prize) , Other Genera Species

Peter Haltis (2 prizes). Cyms Over 90mm Cyms Under 60mm

M Willoughby & Oui Ju (9 prizes) Paphiopedilum Species Non Std.. Paphs, Oncidiinae, ,
Laeliinae Non Std.Cluster, Laeliinae Standard Over 80mm ,Laeliinae Non- Standard
Aust. Epiphyte Hybrids , Popular Vote. Seedlings.

FIRST DIVISION

Aggregate points needed in each category to win seedling 6 points

Exhibitors qualifying for prizes. This year 2 growers (Last year 2 growers)

J & D Cassar (10 prizes) Cym Under 60mm, Laeliinae species, Laeliinae Non Std Cluster,
Laeliinae Non-Standard Oncidiinae , Other Genera Species, Popular vote Zygopetalinae
Paph. Non—Standard Aust Native Epiphyte Hybrids.

Peter Haltis (6 prizes) 60-90mm Cyms, Aust Native Epiphyte Hybrids, Oncidiinae Species
,Zygopetalinae, Seedlings

SECOND DIVISION

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

Exhibitors qualifying for prizes. This year 4 growers (Last year 4 growers.)

Ralph Edwards (5 prizes) Cyms Over 90 mm,, Cyms 60 to 90mm, Dendrobiums,
Other Genera Hybrids, Aust. Native Epiphyte Hybrids.

Diana Bird (5 prizes) Cymbidium Under 60 mm, ,Laeliinae species Other Genera Species,
Oncidiinae Popular Vote

Vanda Rounsefell (2 prizes) Zygopetalinae,, Aust. Native Epiphyte Species., .

Sarka Laznicka (5 prizes) Laeliinae Non Std Cluster, Laeliinae Standard Cluster, Laeliinae
Non –Standard., Aust. Native Epiphyte Species, Seedling

The “No Prize Awarded” 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 the more popular classes, resulting in the monthly points being spread around, and no one exhibitor gaining the sufficient points needed to win a prize..

Numbers of exhibitors in First Div. were down this year, but both Joe Cassar and John Dunn brought in sufficient plants to win seedlings in 12 categories. Thank

you. Good numbers of plants benched make the meetings so much more enjoyable for members to see the variety and quality of the types of orchids we can successfully grow here.. This was particularly the case in Open Div, where Michael & Oui, despite being away for some meetings, amassed enough points to win seedlings in 9 categories . Peter Haltis, Jane & Don Higgs, and John Seidel brought in many high quality plants for members to enthuse about. Thank you all who brought in plants during the 2024 year. †

PRESIDENT'S REPORT A.G.M. 20th NOVEMBER 2024.

Presented by Mrs.Diana Bird, President, at the 2024 AGM.

Good evening , members.

As I come to the end of my term as President, I must tell you what an honour it has been. We have had many changes during these three years. Coming out of Covid, finding a new home here at the Plympton Community Centre, the loss of some of our very fondest members, and also with the march of time and ill health, and others who are unable to regularly attend meetings. .

Plympton Community Hall has proven to be a fine venue, and although we are getting fewer members along to meetings, we have prospered. Thanks must go to my Committee, and the wonderful help of many of our members. (they are too many to name individually) that this has been possible.

We are now settled in at the Western Link Uniting Church as the venue for our three Shows and our Plant Sale Day each year, each of which has been profitable. I am sure as the public learn that this venue is OUR SPOT I am sure we will get more people along to enjoy our beautiful display of Orchids..

We have gained some new members, who have been an asset to our Society membership.

I must sincerely thank all members of my Committee, who have worked so well during my time as President, our panel of judges for their large job at our meetings and shows, and our wonderful guest speakers for their interesting and informative presentations

I tried to get the club library up and running again this year, but I might have to bow to modern times, where any information is just a click of the finger away on our phones and computers. We have a lovely collection of orchid books, and it seems a shame to lose it.

We have gained a number of new Life Members during my time as president, and I must congratulate them all and extend a big Thankyou for their wonderful contribution to our Society over the years.

Thank you, everyone, it has been a very wonderful, interesting and sometimes scary experience, but I have loved every minute.

One last thought. Husband, Bevan and I wish you all a a wonderful Christmas ,and New Year, and Good health in 2025.

DIANA.

CHRISTMAS DINNER MEETING Wed 18th DECEMBER 2024

At

PLYMPTON COMMUNITY CENTRE LONG STREET PLYMPTON

\$10 per head for members or visitors.

.Hall will be open from 5.15 pm for setup & decoration. Come and help if you can. We will need helpers to clean up at end of the night, too.

Bring a gift for the giant raffle table if you wish. Tickets for this raffle will be sold at 50 c each for this month only.

GARRY and PAULINE are ORGANISING THE DINNER,. so you know it'll be good, BUT **HE MUST HAVE FINAL NUMBERS BY 11th Dec.. Tel 0419 837 761**

DON HIGGS WILL PRESENT PERPETUAL TROPHIES & DISTRIBUTE PRIZE SEEDLINGS FOR ANNUAL AGGREGATE COMP. HE WILL ALSO ANNOUNCE ANY PROMOTIONS IN THE JUDGING DIVISIONS.

2024 CHAMPION SEEDLING WILL BE ANNOUNCED.

NOTE FROM SECRETARY PAULINE

We have invited our "Usual guest" or if you like our "unusual guest" and we know he likes us to sing Xmas Carols. Please bring your BEST voice because I have no idea what we will have to sing (it is different every year)

When you park your car, please make sure there is room for the reindeer (s) on the lawn -we are not allowed to park them on the median strip, and I know for a fact that they do not have disability parking permits!!!

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PRESIDENT'S Report

Hello, members.

Well, 2024 has hurried by, and it's nice to know we have the pleasure of relaxing and joining with our members at our Society in providing a respite from the woes of the world through growing and showing our orchids. Our new Committee has held its first meeting, and arrangements are in hand for our

Christmas Social meeting and Pauline has already been busy approaching guest speakers for 2025..

Thank you for voting me in for the position of President. We have a good blend of new ideas and experience, and we can look ahead with confidence to another successful year.

Alan Davies is stepping down after many years valuable experience on Committee, but remains as our Delegate

to the Regional Orchid Council, as well as continuing service with our Judging panel. Thank you for many valuable years contribution, Alan. We have two new Committee people, John Dunn, who is Vice President , and Charles Yeo on Committee, always ready to contribute and always with a big smile for everyone. Diana Bird has served her maximum term of 3 years as President, and is continuing her contribution as Immediate Past President, so you all see we have a great blend of committee people to continue to advance our Society's activities for members' enjoyment and information. It's not just your Committee who do all the work. We have a great group of members who serve by doing the many jobs needed for our ongoing success, We will have a list of helpers out soon

I look forward to seeing many of you at our Christmas meeting. Best wishes to you all for Christmas and the New Year.

Joe Cassar President

CHEERIOS.

We know that a number of members have had ongoing health problems during 2024. We sincerely hope that the coming year will be much better for you , and wish you a fast and complete return to good health so you can soon enjoy the activities you did previously. From all your friends at Orchidaceous Society.

LAST MEETING. –AGM.

We have a full complement on our Committee for this new year, which our new President, Joe Cassar has welcomed in his “President’s Report”.

Congratulations Joe, and our thanks too, to outgoing President, Diana Bird, who has completed 3 years.in that position, and now moves to the position of ‘Immediate Past President’ as per Constitution.

We did have voting to complete, however, as we had two nomination of candidates for Life Membership., John Seidel, and Val Speer, who both have spent many years in the service of our Society. A secret ballot was conducted, and both membership were voted in, to acclaim by members.

LAST MONTH’S PLANTS

We had a lovely variety of species and hybrid plants last meeting. The paphiopedilums had some really nice entries. The large multiflowered *Paph haynaldianum* (4 blooms) made a dramatic impact, and was matched by the albino form of *Paph hirsutissimum*, (latin for “the hairy one”)



Paph hirsutissimum.

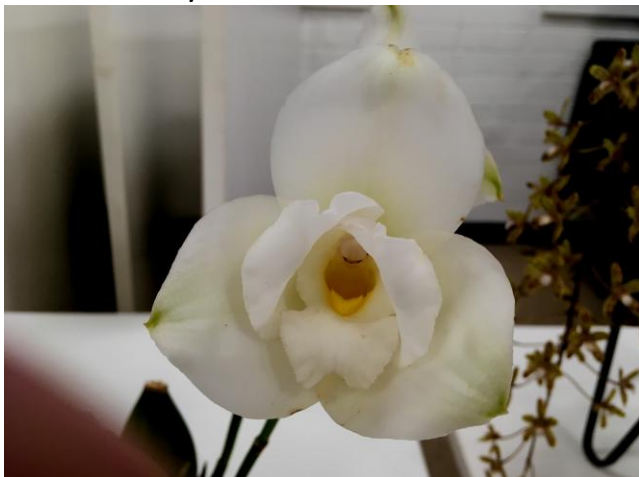
In First Div. Joe Cassar had a very nice slipper which developed a blemish on the day of the meeting – I’d still

consider it for a First place – let's see next season..



Paph Hsinying Carlos x Red Shift.

Two attractive forms of the very good Aust. bred Lycaste Macama



Lyc Macama 'Atlantis' in Open Div. and the next one *Lyc Macama 'Aline'* in Second Div.



Lyc Macama 'Aline'

Next we have the eyecatching dendrobium species, *Den lindleyi*, from India. It needs a dry rest during Winter, so should grow well here.



Den lindleyi.



Den chordiforme, from New Guinea,. A relative of the Aust Dockrillias, with rat-tail like leaves& tiny flower.s well worth another look, p,raps next monthr

COMPETITION RESULTS.

CYMBIDIUMS Under 60 mm

Open Div.

- 1st Little Beauty P & H Haltis
2nd Sweet Devon M Willoughby & Oui Ju

First Div

- 1st Cricket J Cassar
2nd Cricket J Cassar

Second Div

- 1st Nat's Pride D Bird

STANDARD LAELIINAE OVER 80mm

Open Div

- 1st C Royal Beau x Dal's Choice
M Willoughby & Oui Ju

SPECIES LAELIINAE

First Div

- 1st Psh cochleata J & D Cassar
& R Huddleston
2nd *Epi elongatum* J & D Cassar
& R Huddleston

Non Standard Laeliinae

Open Div

- 1st *Ency* Magic Wand M Willoughby & Oui Ju
2nd *Ency* Magic Wand M Willoughby & Oui Ju

First Div

- 1st *Epi Topaz Delight* J & D Cassar
& R Huddleston

Second Div

- 1st *Enc* Magic Wand S Laznicka

Non Standard Cluster LAELIINAE

Second Div

- 1st *Epi* Wedding Valley D Bird
2nd *Epi* Wedding Valley G Simcock
3rd C Unknown G Simcock

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NON STANDARD PAPHIOPEDILUMS

Open Div

- 1st Julius M Willoughby & Oui Ju
2nd Billy Cordalino M Willoughby & Oui Ju
3rd Hsinying X Doya J Seidel

First Div

- 1st No award
2nd Hsinying Carlos x Red Shift
J & D Cassar
& R Huddleston
3rd Shun-Fa Cherry J & D Cassar
& R Huddleston

SPECIES PAPHIOPEDILUMS

Open Div

- 1st *Paph haynaldianum* M Willoughby & Oui
Ju
2nd *Paph hirsutissimum* M Willoughby & Oui
Ju
3rd *Paph hirsutissimum* Grand Prix Fever
M Willoughby & Oui
Ju

OTHER GENERA HYBRIDS

Open Div

- 1st *Lyc. Macama* `Atlantis' M Willoughby &
Oui Ju

Second Div

- 1st *Lyc Macama* `Aline' R Edwards

OTHER GENERA SPECIES

Open Div

- 1st *Den chordiforme* M Willoughby & Oui Ju
2nd *Den lindley*
M Willoughby & Oui Ju

Second Div

- 1st *Ansellia africana* R Edwards
2nd *Bif, harrisoniea* G Simcock

ONCIDIINAE Hybrids

Open Div

- 1st *Onc guam Shin Coffee* M Willoughby &
Oui Ju

Second Div

- 1st *Oncid. Unknown* R Edwardst

ONCIDIUM SPECIES

First Div

- 2nd *Onc sphacelatum* J & D Cassar
& R Huddleston

ZYGOPETALINAE

First Div

- 2nd Z Debbie de Mellis J & D Cassar
& R Huddleston

SEEDLING

Open Div

- 1st Any Magic Wand M Willoughby & Oui Ju
2nd Any Magic Wand M Willoughby & Oui Ju
3rd Hsinying X Doya J Seidel

Second Div

- 1st *Ency* Magic Wand S Laznicka

POPULAR VOTE

Open Div

- 1st Little Beauty P & H Haltis
2nd *Den lindleyi* M Willoughby & Oui Ju
3rd *Onc Guam Shin Coffee* M Willoughby & Oui
Ju

Ju

First Div

- 1st *Psh cochleata* J & D Cassar

2nd *Paph Hsinying Carlos x Red Shift*
 J & D Cassar
 3rd *Paph Shun-Fa Cherry* J & D Cassar
 Second Div
 1st *Onc Unknown* R Edwards
 2nd *Epi Wedding Valley* D Bird
 3rd *Phal Unnamed* S Laznicka

BEST ORCHID IN EACH DIVISION



Four big blooms on a dramatic stem.

Open Division

Paph haynaldianum

M Willoughby & Oui Ju..

First Division

Psh cochleata

J. & D CASSAR



Joe's attractive , easy to bloom prosthechea.

Second Division

Onc Unknown

R Edwards



Ralph Edwards' well grown oncidium.

REGISTRAR'S CHOICE

Paph haynaldianum

M Willoughby & Oui Ju..

**Season's Greetings to all
 our members and
 families.**

