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James Argent demonstrated his considerable ability last month with Floral Design as it applies to using orchids. Thank you, James.

This month's meeting is on **Wednesday May 21st** at the Long St, Plympton Community Centre, entry at rear from 7.30 pm for hall set-up...

. THE CHURCH HALL AT FINDON WILL BE OPEN ON May 16th at 4pm for set-up, of Autumn Show. Open to the public SAT 17th MAY, 9.00 TO 4PM.

This month's meeting guest speaker will be Jane Higgs, who will talk on preparing plants for Shows.

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LIFE MEMBERS

1970	Spiro Drikas*	2005	Alan Davies, Iris Davies
1975	Elva Shawyer*, Gordon Shawyer*	2013	Margaret Jacob
	Edith Halliday*, Mervyn Green*	2014	Brian Brand, Shirley Brand
1976	Trevor Jacob	2018	Lesley Gunn, Robert Gunn
1977	Jack Moore*, Harold Luckhurst*,		Don Higgs, Jane Higgs
	Ken Wynes*		Jill Taylor*
1986	Kelvin Staples*, Stan Johnston*	2021	Dr. Tony Bourne
1992	Peter Speer*, Deane Johnston,	2022	Pauline Simcock, Garry Simcock
	Frank Neighbour*, Nancy Neighbour*	2023	Sarka Laznicka Peter McCauley
1996	Kevin Gurney, Noel Oliver*		Jan Whibley Charles Yeo
		2024	John Seidel Val Speer

*Denotes deceased member

Researched K.Gurney.

2025 PROGRAMME **Wednesday May 21st 2025**

Jane Higgs will tell you how to prepare your plants for shows.this month . .

Volunteers for Kitchen duties this month are the Cassar clan.

Birthdays for May 2025

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

Patricia Carman, Pauline Simcock, Geoff Spear, .and Marlene Henschke.
Congratulations..

Next Committee Meeting: *Monday May 26th. at Western Link Church Findon.*
Next Judges Meeting *To be advised by Reaistrar*

PRESIDENT'S Report MAY 2025

Hello members, well it's that time of the year again our first show for the year our autumn show. Hope you all have heaps of lovely Orchids to show so we can have 2 lovely displays, and don't forget we are able to sell anything you like on our trading table. Put in is at 4.00pm on Friday 16th of May with judging commencing at 6,30pm. Show opens to the public on Saturday 17th May at 9.00am till 4.00pm. Members are urged to help clean up the hall as we need to vacate by 5.00pm.

At our last meeting our guest speaker was James Argent, he is our Deputy Registrar of Judges, a Dalia Judge & a Floral Art Judge. He showed us how to complete many floral art designs with bits & pieces from his garden. Thank you, James.

This month's speaker will be Jane Higgs, she will be showing us how to prepare our plants for our shows. Hoping to see as many of our members displaying their plants so we can have a successful show.

Cheers.

Joe Cassar President

LAST MEETING.

Thank you. To Garry Simcock for helping get the Review published last month. I suffered a stroke whilst preparing it which affected my speech and ability to respond quickly, Effects did not last long

when the staff of the RAH did their business and I was soon able to return home, but was unable to drive for a month. Garry drove me to the Review publisher's and with Margaret Jacob's help we got it posted. Thank you to all who helped. The May Review has been delayed, but photos from Diana Bird and Don Higgs helped. Thanks everybody. During this month, Garry had to go into hospital for treatment, and I had some trips to the Dr's for adjustments to my medication. Thank you, Garry I was lucky – you look after yourself, too..

Best wishes to all who have been unwell recently.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

Subs for 2025 are now well overdue. As Treasurer, I am more than happy to take your payment, in cash , by credit card , or by direct deposit.

If making a payment by direct deposit, please remember to give your name.

Our bank Details are : The South Australian Orchidaceous Society Inc.

Bank 065

Branch 152

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OUR AUTUMN SHOW

Put in from 4.00 p.m. Friday 16 May
Judging from 6.00 p.m. Friday 16 May (light meal to help you get through)

Show open to the public from 9.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. on Saturday 17 May

Remember it is in our venue ,
anything of value can be put on the Trading Table. Garry will have Sales sheets for you to fill out if you have items for sale.

Garry, Treasurer

SHOWDATES

South Australian Orchid Fair on the King's Birthday Weekend Friday 6th June 9am setup, Sat 7th June 9am to 4pm, and Sunday 8th June 10am to 3pm at the Campbelltown Council Hall, Montacute Road, as in previous years.

This interclub exhibition will be followed by our **WINTER SHOW** at Crittenden Rd , Findon Friday 18th July set up from 4pm followed by judging, then Sat 19th July open to public 9am to 4pm and Sunday 20th July 12noon to 4pm

Then we have our **Spring Show**, also at Crittenden Rd Findon Friday 29th August put in displays from 4pm followed by judging, then Saturday 30th August 9am to 4 pm and Sunday 31st August from 12 noon to 4pm

Our **Plant Sales Day** is scheduled for Saturday 11th October at the Crittenden Rd Findon Church hall from 8am set up for your sales items, Open to public 9 30 am until 4pm. You can sell all sorts of plants, pots, potting mix etc

LAST MONTH'S PLANTS.

We have some very good growers of the cattleya type orchids which have long, skinny canes which are topped by clumpy leaves which grow in pairs (bi-foliate growth habit. You can grow these with confidence

out side in lightly shaded conditions from Spring through summer and into late Autumn and the flower canes will grow sturdy with more highly coloured blooms than if you grow them in shade.



This one is called *Ctt Meadii* and again grows well if given light and air in warmer months

It has been a good flowering season for the South American Zygopetalums and their more colourful variants introduced by breeding with types which allow a wider range of colours to come through, although the purple lipped types with green and brown blooms are dramatic in their own right. Blues and purples are not common colours with many orchids, and those which do show these tones are in high demand when shown locally.

COMPETITION RESULTS.

CYMBIDIUMS 60 90 mm

Open Div

1st Osborn`` P & H Haltis

CYMBIDIUMS Under 60mm

First Div

1st Sundaani Autumn `Daybreak`
A & P Steer

STANDARD LAELIINAE 80mm and Over

Open Div

1st C Ovation M Willoughby & Oui Ju
2nd C Madame Edith Bongo

M Willoughby & Oui Ju
3rd R/c Burdekin Spire P & H Haltis

First Div

1st R/c Island Delight x J & D Cassar

Second Div

1st C Angel Love `Pinky` G & P Simcock
2nd C Hawaaiian Wedding Song Virgin
G & P Simcock

SPECIES LAELIINAE

Open Div

1st Psh cochleata alba M Willoughby & O Ju

First Div

1st Psh cochleata D Bird

LAELIINAE NON Standard

First Div

1st C Wrigleyiil J & D Cassar & R Huddleston

Second div

1ST C Hawaaiian Treat G & P Simcock

CLUSTER LAELIINAE

Open Div

1st Ctt Browniae Riga Michael & Oui

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2nd Ctt Bactia Grapewax'

Michael & Oui

First Div

1st Ctt Meadii S Laznicka

2nd Ctt Browniae Riga J & D Cassar & R Huddleston

3rd Ctt Browniae Riga J & D Cassar & R Huddleston

Second Div

1st Ctt Browniae `Riga` G Simcock

PAPH NON STANDARD

Open Div

1st Glaucopar M Willoughby & Oui Ju

SPECIES PAPHIOPEDILUMS

Open Div

1st Paph dianthum M Willoughby & Oui Ju

AUST NATIVE EPIPHYTE SPECIES

First Div

1st Den bigibbum A & P Steer

ONCIDIINAE Hybrids

Open Div

1st Alcra Samurai J & D Cassar & R Huddleston

2nd Onc Aka Baby J & D Cassar & R Huddleston

First Div

1st Ons Wildcat `Bob Cat` A & P Steer

Second Div

1st Onc Sharry Baby `Sweet Fragrance`
V Rounnsefell

ONCIDIINAE SPECIES

Open Div

1st .Milt moreliana Michael & Oui

OTHER HYBRIDS NOT LISTED ABOVE

Open Div

1st Sngl Venus `Noel` M Willoughby & Oui Ju

2nd Fdk Midnight Lace M Willoughby & Oui Ju

OTHER SPECIES NOT LISTED ABOVE

Open Div

1st Sngl longifolia M Willoughby & Oui Ju

2nd Sngl longifolia P & H Haltis

ZYGOPETALINAE

Open Div

2nd Artur Elle J & D Higgs

First Div

1st Zga Kiwi Choice hyb. .D Bird

2nd Zga Red Rocket hyb. D Bird

Second Div

1st Unknown G & P Simcock

2nd Zga Dynamo x Adelaide Charmer

G & P Simcock

3rd Z Unknown G & P Simcock

POPULAR VOTE

Open Div

1st Fdk Midnight Lace `M Willoughby & Oui Ju

2nd Ctt Browniae `Riga` M Willoughby & Oui Ju

Ju

3rd C Ovation M Willoughby & Oui Ju

First Div

1st C tt Browniae Riga' J & D Cassar & R Huddleston

2nd C Meadii S Laznicka

3rd R/c Island Charm hyb. J & D Cassar & R Huddleston

Second Div

1st C Hawaaiian Wedding Song `Virgin`
G & P Simcock

2nd Onc Sharry Baby `Sweet Fragrance`
V Rounnsefell
3rd C Angel Love `Pinky`
G & P Simcock

**BEST ORCHID IN
EACH DIVISION**

Open Division

Ctt Browniae `Riga`

**M. Willoughby & Oui
Ju**

First Division

Ctt Meadii

S Laznicka

Second Division

**Onc Sharry Baby
`Sweet Fragrance`**

Vanda Rounsefell

**REGISTRAR'S
CHOICE**

Ctt Browniae `Riga`

**M. Willoughby & Oui
Ju.**

