

The South Coast Orchid Club of SA Inc.  
**Gazette**

**APRIL  
2011**



**PRESIDENT: Geoff Spear**  
**PATRON: Sydney Monkhouse**

**AT A GLANCE**

The next meeting of the South Coast Orchid Club will be held at 8pm on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2011 at St. Bernadette's Church Hall corner of Walsh Avenue and South Road, St. Marys. There is no guest speaker as this meeting will be a Workshop. Refer to Presidents message for details of the Presenters.

**PENCILLERS' GROUP** 7.15pm upstairs in kitchen area.

**BEGINNERS' CLASS** 7.15pm upstairs in Lounge area. Shade House maintenance.

**DAYTIME CHAPTER - SILVER ANNIVERSARY**

The next meeting will be held at Lou Kesting Hall, off Broadway, South Brighton on Thursday 14th April 2011 at 2pm. The guest speaker will be Paul Dipuglia from NEUTROG talking on fertilizing.

**SOUTHERN REGIONAL GROUP**

The next meeting will be held at 2pm on Sunday 17th April 2011 at Carrickalinga House, 17-19 Torrens Street, Victor Harbor. The guest speaker will be Syd James speaking on and presenting a video on the Triathlon.

**AUTUMN SHOW Colonnades**

**Judging** Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2011, Venue **Hamilton school**, 815 Marion Road, Mitchell Park. Put in time 12 Noon. Judging 1pm SHARP .

**Autumn Show** Display - Geoff Spear and Tony Fisher will transport your Show plants to Colonnades only by prior arrangement. **Members may take Show Plants in to Colonnades but all plants must be in at 5pm. NO EARLIER please. REMINDER: To show your plants at the Autumn Show please make sure you are a financial member.**

**SCOC 2011 SUBSCRIPTION RATES**

<b>Family Membership</b>	<b>\$33.00</b>
<b>Single Membership</b>	<b>\$25.00</b>
<b>Junior Membership</b>	<b>\$17.00</b>

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<b>Family Membership</b>	<b>\$29.00</b>
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**People who submit articles to the Club for inclusion in our Gazette express opinions which are not necessarily those of the Club.**

**No guarantee is provided to anyone using the ideas & opinions expressed in these articles.**

**Items must be delivered to the Editor by the second Thursday of each month.  
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## **CLUB MEETING DATES**

**2011**

### **April 2011**

- 6 Main Meeting - Workshop
- 14 Daytime Chapter-Paul Dipuglia, Neutrog
- 17 Southern Regional Group – Syd James

### **May 2011**

- 4 Main Meeting—John Gay on Cattleyas
- 12 Daytime Chapter
- 15 Southern Regional Group

### **June 2011**

- 1 Main Meeting – Wayne Baylis on Cymbidiums
- 9 Daytime Chapter
- 19 Southern Regional Group

### **July 2011**

- 6 Main Meeting-birthday - Steve Howard on phalenopsis
- 14 Daytime Chapter
- 17 Southern Regional Group

### **August 2011**

- 3 Main Meeting - Graham Zerbe on Country Challenge 2010
- 11 Daytime Chapter
- 14 Southern Regional Group

### **September 2011**

- 7 Main Meeting –Roger Rankin on Awards and Zygopetelums
- 8 Daytime Chapter
- 11 Southern Regional Group

### **October 2011**

- 5 Main Meeting – Ian Kilpatrick on Sarcs
- 13 Daytime Chapter
- 16 Southern Regional Group

### **November 2011**

- 2 Main Meeting – Royale Orchids –Kevin Hipkins
- 10 Daytime Chapter
- 20 Southern Regional Group

### **December 2011**

- 7 Main Meeting –Party Time and Les Nesbit on Terrestrials
- 8 Daytime Chapter
- 18 Southern Regional Group

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**BIRTHDAY DRAW** is your name in the book?

**LUCKY NAME BADGE** make sure you wear your Name Badge, you may win a prize.

**BEGINNERS CLASS PROGRAMME 2011**

<b><u>DATE</u></b>	<b><u>SPEAKER</u></b>	<b><u>SUBJECT</u></b>
April 6th		Shade House Maintenance
May 4th		Fertilizing
June 1st	John Gay	Cattleyas
July 6th		Preparing plants for the Show
August 3rd		Repotting
September 7th	John Robinson	Cymbidiums
October 5th		Looking after your plants after the Spring Show
November 2nd		Preparing your plants for 2012

**ORCHID CALENDAR FOR 2011**

<b>AUTUMN SHOW</b>	Sunday 1st May to Sunday 8th May Colonnades Shopping Centre
<b>SOUTHERN ORCHID VISIT</b>	Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> June – Sims Orchids, Goolwa Hotel and Nico's Nursery at Mt. Compass
<b>SAROC FAIR</b>	Saturday 11th June and Sunday 12th June Pulteney Grammar School
<b>WINTER SHOW</b>	Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> July to Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup> July at Hallett Cove Shopping Centre
<b>SOUTHERN REGIONAL GROUP SHOW</b>	Thursday 4th to Sunday 7th August at RSL Hall Victor Harbor
<b>SPRING SHOW</b>	Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> September to Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup> September at Arndale Shopping Centre
<b>SOUTHERN GROUP WORKSHOP</b>	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> October at R. & E. Cliffords
<b>MAIN GROUP WORKSHOP</b>	Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup> October at J. & R. McRedmond's, 87 Kyeema Avenue, Cumberland Park.
<b>BUS TRIP</b>	Plant House Visit TBA.

**BIRTHDAY CONGRATULATIONS**

Bill Clark, Judy Crafter, Heather Englehardt, Paul Hayes, Ronda Overall, Trevor Stutley, Graham Smith, Rosalie Sharpe, Rito Silvestri, Shirley Steele.



**PENCILLERS' GROUP**

Your Club needs Pencillers to assist the judges. Noel Oliver gives up his time to take these classes when he should be downstairs judging.

This is a 4 lesson course. At the first meeting 6 attended, last meeting 1 attended. Noel has offered to take the April pencilling group on the condition that 4 members regularly attend. Please phone me YES or NO whether you would like to attend April, May, June, July Pencilling Course.

**NEW MEMBERS**

The President and Committee on behalf of our Club welcome the following new members:

Elsie Clifford          Marilyn Jelfs

We hope you will have a very rewarding time with our Club.

**APOLOGY**

**It has come to the attention of the Committee that an error was made in the March Gazette. The error is on page 6 reference the November speaker. Please disregard the sentence beginning "Easy Orchids" as this is incorrect and irrelevant. The committee apologises to all concerned.**

**S.A.R.O.C. FAIR 2010**

Put in: Friday June 10<sup>th</sup>

Saturday June 11<sup>th</sup> 12 Noon to 5pm Sunday June 13<sup>th</sup> 10am to 4pm

Venue: Wyatt Hall, Pulteney Grammar School, 190 South Terrace, Adelaide.

Orchid plants, competitions, raffles and orchid sales from leading South Australian Growers. Orchid Workshop and potting demonstrations. Sausage sizzle and refreshments all weekend. \$2.00 admission includes complimentary cup of tea/coffee.

Orchid Club members please wear your Club badge.

Dinner: Saturday night June 12<sup>th</sup> Hamstead Hotel. Please phone Lucy on 8381 4420 for reservations.

***CONGRATULATIONS TO:***

**John & Bev Gay and David & Kay Camack** for receiving their Reg Shooter Trophy Participation Certificates,

**Anne & Colin Campbell and Bill Clark** for receiving their Les Nesbitt Trophy Participation Certificates, and

**Pauline & Mark Hockey** for Sarcophilus Galaxy " Sundaani " Received a H.C.C, and an A.D for colour.

**SINGAPORE WORLD ORCHID CONFERENCE**  
**13<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2011**

AOC has been able to arrange a very satisfactory set of prices through Flight Centre, Modbury for the WOC to be held in Singapore later this year.

The price (\$2228 pp) includes 7 night's accommodation (executive rooms at the Carlton Hotel, Bras Basah Road, next door to Raffles Hotel – breakfast included) together with return airfares Adelaide-Singapore-Adelaide. Private vehicle transfer is also included to and from the airport in Singapore. The Carlton Hotel also provides late checkout on the final day, with baggage hold until departure to the airport. The above quote was at 12/01/11, but I have been advised that Singapore Airlines have reduced this by a significant amount.

The WOC is being held in the Marina Sands Hotel which is approximately 1km away. There should be ample public transport available, buses and by that time possibly the train service will be extended. I think that there could also be buses organised by the WOC committee for registrants who are accommodated further away than walking distance.

The Carlton Hotel is at the marina end of Orchard Road.

Please phone Flight Centre Group Travel Melissa Costanzo 08 82639999  
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## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Show time is here again. The last day of April is 'put in' time for the Autumn Show. Times are changing and I am sure we are heading for better times now the economy is picking up.

When times change we need to put more thought into our Show Trading Table (cooler summer means not quite as many Cymbidiums for sale at our Autumn Show) so we need to wait for great showing at the Winter Show. This year your Autumn Trading Table will have a new look. It will be well worth your while to come along and check this out. For our trading table we have ordered advanced *Stenoglotis longifolia*, *Epi. Varigateum Lavenda* and *Cattleya*. The *Cattleya* we bought last year for the Trading Table proved to be very successful. We also have the best *I Phaleonopsis* in town and our very popular natives. Try and be there 1<sup>st</sup> May early to check out these great plants. Remember, with your trading table plants the best selling day is the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday. You can bring in your plants for selling 5pm on the Saturday night, or during the week. Dorothy will have your selling sheets and swinging tickets at the meeting. We also have Division tickets, see Lucy.

Members I am always concerned for Second Division growers. I know most of you have wonderful plants but think they are not good enough to show. Any orchid is beautiful. Bring your plants along. Let the members and judges show you how wonderful it can be to be an exhibitor.

Great incentives for the Autumn Show are the Trophies that are awarded:

**W.A. Young Champion Autumn Show trophy,**  
**H. & B. Viney Trophy** for the Best *Cattleya* at the Autumn Show, and  
**P.C. Loke Trophy** for the Highest of all points at all 3 Shows.

Please bring along your plants for us all to enjoy. Remember the plant you leave at home may be the Champion. Please bring all your plants along to Hamilton School for judging.

**April Meeting!** The Workshop last year was the most popular meeting we had in 2010. Many phone calls were received asking for a repeat this year. The demonstrators will be:

**Denis Cook:** subject Cymbidiums, an excellent grower with great advice.

**Colin Campbell:** a judge and excellent grower of *Paphiopedilums*.

**Richard Wilson:** *Cattleyas* back by popular request. Richard has asked for you to bring along questions please.

**Trevor Garard & Kevin Western**

There have been so many questions asked at meetings about the "Garard & Western Trophy" that we decided to bring Trevor & Kevin along to answer all the questions about this great trophy. I know a lot of members dabble in hybridizing so make it work for you and talk to Trevor & Kevin.

Talking about popular meetings. Last month's meeting was close to being the most popular meeting we have had. Kevin's programme was excellent. We had so many phone calls for a repeat performance. We had an email from Kevin thanking us for the opportunity to speak. He and Roxanne were so happy to catch up with old friends and Kevin received a lot of positive remarks about his demonstration. Thank you Kevin and Roxanne.

Good growing and showing.  
 Geoff.

## **DAYTIME CHAPTER**

Hi Everyone,

Our March guest speaker was John Gay who, with his wife Bev, came from Murray Bridge earlier in the day to spend the afternoon with us. John is an excellent presenter for his chosen subject, the Cattleya Orchid, of which he grows many of all shapes, sizes and colours. He is definitely the one to give you lots of hints and growing information. All the members were very interested in what John had to say, many taking down notes. Thankyou John for the great discussion and sharing of knowledge. You made it a great afternoon for all. Thanks also for bringing down the lovely trading table plants; they certainly did not last long.

John also did the plant commentary. This was also very informative as we had some lovely cattleya, oncidium, cymbidium and an angraecum that John had bought down to show us. It was a lovely plant covered with many white flowers with a very long spur. John is very proud of this plant and rightly so. It was a smaller type of plant in growth and flower to the large type we usually see around, so well done John.

Don & Audrey Biebrick were the growers of a lovely, very well presented cattleya, Valentine's Day 'Lisa' which was voted best in display. A well grown plant with darker purplish flowers with large blooms. Congratulations to you both and a very big thankyou to all for bringing in plants for us all to see.

Also today, Terry and Dorothy Howard rejoined the club. A big welcome back to you both and we hope your time at the club will be a rewarding and happy one for you both. Terry was our club secretary back in 1987 when the Daytime Chapter was first instigated on Thursday October 15 1987 at 2 pm so the Daytime Chapter has been going for quite some time now.

Apologies today from Bill Travaskis, Marie Bravery, Pauline and Bill Vlachos. We send a big cheerio to Peter and Geraldine Flavel. Hope to see you all again very soon.

The meeting was closed, thanking all those in attendance.

Bye Dorothy.  
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## **SOUTHERN REGIONAL GROUP**

Our monthly meeting was held on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> March.

Our President Geoff took our beginners' class today with 14 of us listening and discussing the transmission of virus by re-using bamboo stakes. Geoff's suggestion is to discard them after a single use. He proceeded to show us some photos of plants with virus. He also explained that the virus look on the leaves may not be virus but could be caused by some fertilizers.

Today we had 16 lovely orchids on display being:  
4 purple *Miltonia cogniauxiae*,  
2 cattleya being Valentine Day and Portia coerulea,  
an *Encyclea cocleata*,  
a *Phaelanopsis*, and  
an intermediate cymbidium Valentine Love 'Dianne'.

The meeting began and Geoff welcomed those present, being 32 members and guests Barb & Dave Douglass-Martin and Val Phillips (from Murray Bridge.)

Today Geoff was our guest speaker and told us how he grows his cymbidiums. He explained that what we need is sunshine, water fresh air and small amounts of fertilizer. He tries to water every day and fertilizes with Powerfeed. Seasol can be mixed together with Powerfeed. Feed the roots of your cymys Rapid Raiser in small amounts. Aquasol is also very good. When in spike your plants need Phostrogen. Use Maverick mixed with a little pest oil to get rid of spidermites. Use Rat-sack for mice and rats. Put it in a pvc pipe with one end sealed so your pets do not get tempted. Use Steriprune for sealing cuts when you divide your orchids.

Winter is the best time to break up plants. The best way to divide a plant is to leave a minimum of 3 green bulbs with leaves on them and 2 backbulbs.

It was a very interesting presentation, well done Geoff. We all enjoyed your talk.

Noel Oliver and Colin Campbell judged our plants. Plant of the day and members choice, Cat. Valentine Day (see photo below) was grown by Keith Sutton.

At our April meeting our own Sid James will be talking on the Triathalon.  
The door prize was won by Jan Saxon.  
The lucky name badge prize was won by Trevor Wheaton.

Compiled by Lyn Davey.





## SRG March Results List - Second Division

Grower Number	Placing	Plant Name
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### Cymbidium 60 to 90 mm

519	1st	Cym. Valentine Love 'Dianne' grown by E. Pinnock
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### Laeliinae species All Cattleya Alliance

567	1st	Enc. cochleata grown by R & E Clifford
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### Laeliinae < 100mm

570	1st	c. Portia 'coerucia' grown by K & R Sutton
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### Cluster Cattleya

570	1st	Cat.Valentine Day grown by K & R Sutton
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### Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere – hybrid

570	1st	Miltonia cogniauxia grown by K & R Sutton
578	2nd	Phaelenopsis unknown grown by G Knoll

### FLOWER OF THE DAY

570		Cat. Valentine Day grown by K & R Sutton
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## **New Judges Graduate**

The South Australian Regional Panel of Judges welcomes 5 new graduates into their midst.

It was decided, as everyone was busy with Christmas Festivities, that the Graduation dinner would be held in February of 2011.

The four and a half year course was completed by December 2010 and required a commitment from the graduates of attending seminars on two half days on 4 or 5 weekends a year during this period of time. They were also given a number of assignments, as home work, to be completed and handed in on time for the Training Panel to assess. One may say that their dedication to the task was to be commended.

The venue chosen for the celebration was the Buckingham Arms hotel where there is a room that holds about 44 people. This was just about the right size for the function as the graduates were able to have friends and or family present. The smorgasbord menu was exceptional and any one not being able to find enough food to satisfy their appetite would have been hard to please. The Regional Registrar of Judges, Roger Rankin, was the MC for the evening. There were a number of distinguished guests present namely the President of the Australian Orchid Council, the Registrar General and the President of the South Australian Regional Orchid Council, members of the Training Panel, Club officials, family and friends.

The Official part of the evening commenced with a couple of speeches, and then the President of the AOC and the Registrar General presented the Certificates and Judges Badges to the Graduates. The Graduates then responded, and some of the lighter moments of the happenings during the course were shared with the guests present.

Congratulations to the five graduates, Steve Howard GDOC and OCSA, Wendy Lodge, SCOC and OCSA, Colin Campbell SCOC and Margaret & Bob Rankin, (no relation to the Registrar) Pt. Augusta and OCSA. You all have added another facet to your hobby and may you continue enjoy your hobby into the future and get to officiate at some of the many Shows within the state and the broader horizons of interstate and overseas

*Graham J. Zerbe*  
AOC Judge



Colin Campbell receives his Certificate



Wendy Lodge receives her Certificate

# March Results List

Ref. No.

Points Awarded

## Open Division

### Australian Native Epiphyte - Hybrid

43	Den. Hilda Poxon 'Gold Finger'	Geoff & Lucy Spear (5)	3
44	Den. Hilda Poxon	David & Kay Cammack (1535)	2

### Cymbidium - less than 60mm (all colours)

45	Cym. Australian Midnight	Geoff & Lucy Spear (5)	3
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### Laeliinae - Non Standard Cluster

60	C. Valentine Day 'Lisa'	Don & Audrey Biebrick (103)	3
61	C. Valentine Day	Bev & John Gay (65)	2

### Laeliinae - Species

56	Psh. cochleata	Bev & John Gay (65)	3
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### Laeliinae - Standard over 100mm

59	Lc. Rosie's Surprise	Bev & John Gay (65)	2
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### Laeliinae - Standard under 100mm

57	Lc. Mini Purple 'Expo 84 M2'	Richard & Beryl Wilson (321)	3
58	Slc. Mango Spice x Sc. Dal's Good One	Denis & Glenys Cook (194)	2

### Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Hybrid

63	Angcm. Longiscott 'Hihimanu'	Bev & John Gay (65)	3
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### Zygopetalum Hybrid (inc. intergenerics)

62	Zpb. [Elfin Jade x Z. (Tarcoola x Helen-Ku)]	Don & Audrey Biebrick (103)	3
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## First Division

### Australian Native Epiphyte - Hybrid

46	Den. Limestone	Rod & Judy McRedmond (1141)	3
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### Laeliinae - Non Standard Laeliinae

47	Epi. Cindy	Pauline & Mark Hockey (1556)	3
48	C. Valentine Day 'Chloe'	Rod & Judy McRedmond (1141)	2
49	Lrn. (Bl.) Sea Urchin	Wendy Lodge (406)	1

### Oncidiinae - Species

50	Onc. flexuosum	Rod & Judy McRedmond (1141)	3
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### Orchid Seedling - any Genera

55	Phal. Dendi's Pony 'Appaloosa'	Pauline & Mark Hockey (1556)	3
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### Phalaenopsis &/or Dor. - Novelty

54	Phal. Dendi's Pony 'Appaloosa'	Pauline & Mark Hockey (1556)	3
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### Phalaenopsis &/or Dor. - Standard over 80mm

51	Phal unknown	Wendy Lodge (406)	3
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### Phalaenopsis &/or Dor. - Standard under 80mm

52	Phal. Kimono	Rod & Judy McRedmond (1141)	3
53	Phal unknown	Rod & Judy McRedmond (1141)	2

## Second Division

### Laeliinae - Non Standard Laeliinae

66	C. Fort Motte 'Leopard'	Trevor Stutley (1139)	3
67	Slc. Dendi's Bee	Anne & Colin Campbell (479)	2
68	C. Valentine Day 'Tiger'	George Misirlis (1125)	1

### Laeliinae - Standard over 100mm

64	C. Hawaiian Wedding Song 'Virgin'	George Misirlis (1125)	3
65	C. Hawaiian Wedding Song 'Virgin'	George Misirlis (1125)	2

### Oncidiinae - Species

69	Gom. recurva	Trevor Stutley (1139)	3
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## March Plant Commentary:

**Flower of Second Division and Flower of the Night:** *Gomesa recurva* benched by Trevor Stutley. This species is one of about ten *Gomesa* species from Brazil. The well grown plant of about six bulbs carried two cascading inflorescences of 35 and 25 flowers which were about 9mm wide and 20mm long. The sepals and petals were yellow with green shading down their midlines and the labellum, also yellow, had green shading along its centre. A very interesting plant not often seen.



**Flower of First Division:** *Den.* Limestone grown by Judy and Rod McRedmond. This plant, a well grown primary hybrid, between the two species *Den.* Cucumberinum and *Den.* Bowmanii had 5 inflorescences with 6, 6, 5, 4 and 2 open flowers with another 5 in bud as well as signs of many more inflorescences to come. Flowers were 25mm across and tall. Sepals and petals were a pale yellowish-cream colour with fine linear striping towards their base. The labellum was white with the mid-lobe frilled and curved down and was finely spotted in crimson.



**Flower of Open Division:** *C.* Valentine Day 'Lisa' grown by Don and Audrey Biebrick. A large strongly grown plant with the two most recent growths bearing clusters of twelve and seven flowers which were 75 to 80mm across and 95mm tall. Sepals and petals were deep, purplish magenta, slightly paler towards the flower centre. The side lobes of the labellums curved up over the column and were white shading to light purple over the column and the mid-lobe was bright purple.





**The Orchid Club of S.A. Inc**

Meets at 8pm in The Enfield Community Centre, 540 Regency Road, Enfield.

7<sup>th</sup> April Paul Harvey Update on Murray Darling

**Day Group Meetings**

TBA

**Diary Dates for the 2011 Season**

15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> April Festival of Flowers Enfield Community Centre

8<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> July Winter Show Enfield Community Centre

2<sup>nd</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> September Spring Show – Adelaide Showground

29<sup>th</sup> October "Socialising with Sarcs" Enfield Community Centre

**Murray Bridge and District Orchid Club**

Meetings are held at 1.45pm on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Johnston Park combined Club Hall, Adelaide Road, Murray Bridge.

24<sup>th</sup> April Graham Morris Cymbidiums

22<sup>nd</sup> May Riverland Sophie Thomson

**Northern and Eastern Districts Orchid Society**

Meets at 8pm on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month in St. Philip's Church Hall, Galway Avenue, Broadview.

21st April TBA

**ZYGOPETALUM CULTURE SHEET**

There are 5 main points to be considered in the culture of the *Zygopetalum* orchid alliance. Other members of this alliance such as *Zygoneria*, *Zygocolax* and *Fisherara* should be treated the same as *Zygopetalums*.

1. **TEMPERATURE / LIGHT:** Ideally the plant should be grown in a shadehouse constructed with 70% shadecloth. If no shadehouse is available the plant can be grown in the shade of a deciduous tree. This gives enough sun in winter and shade in summer. *Zygopetalums* can be grown outside all year round in the Adelaide region. Be aware that extremely hot weather will burn plants quite severely and extra shading and misting is a must in these conditions.

2. **WATER:** Water the plant before the potting medium has a chance to dry out.

In summer this may mean daily, less often in the cooler months. The moisture level can be estimated by feeling the weight of the pot or by using a moisture indicating probe. Whenever watering is necessary, apply generously letting the water run freely from the pot drainage holes to reduce salt build up. **N.B.** Try to avoid leaving the plant wet overnight in cold spells as this can lead to fungal attack and ugly black spotting.

3. **FERTILIZER:** During the growth period when new leads are being formed give the plant a high nitrogen fertilizer. As the flower spike appears, switch to a blossom booster fertilizer. These have a higher level of phosphorus and/or potassium. Change back to the high N fertilizer just before the flower buds open.

4. **PESTS:** The main problem encountered when growing *Zygopetalums* is fungal infestations causing black spots and lines on the leaves. This can be treated with a commercially available fungicide. Other pests to watch for include snails and slugs, scale and spider mites. The woolly bear caterpillar can cause a lot of damage and can be found at night with a torch.

5. **REPOTTING:** Medium to large size plants may need repotting yearly as they are fast growers and do not appreciate being potbound. A good quality bark mix with 10 -15 mm bark nuggets or similar size coconut husks can be used with medium to large plants. Reduce the bark size for smaller pots.

**This Information was supplied by GARARD BROTHERS ORCHIDS**

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We wish to thank the following persons who have supported us and our shows with donations etc. Members are requested to keep these people in mind when purchasing orchids and supplies.

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