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MONTHLY MEETING CULTURAL SECTION.

Our next Monthly Meeting will be held at the Lutheran Church Hall, Windsong Court, CHRISTIE DOWNS, on Tuesday March 13th at 8.00 p.m.

PROGRAMME

The major item of the evening will be the first of three discussions by a most respected grower of Cymbidium Orchids, Ross Gowling. The topic will be "Deflasking and Seedling Culture including Diseases in Orchids."

There should be something for everyone in this part of the meeting and you will have the opportunity to ask questions as the demonstration is in progress. For any member who may feel reluctant to ask a question publicly, then write down anything you would like to know and either give your written questions to Ross prior to the meeting and he will answer them during the night or put them up on the table for him.

For the information of members, Ross's discussion for the month of April will be "Pleasures and problems concerned with the Growing of Cymbidiums," and the topic for May will be "The General summing up of Orchid Culture and rewards gained from Seedlings."

Together with slides, these three discussions are a must for everyone interested in the growing of Cymbidiums and the participation by the members with questions will make these nights successful for everyone.

NEW MEMBERS

We welcome the following new members:-

Mr. Don Biebrick, 6 Lindley Avenue, Warradale. 5046

Mr. Bernhard H. Grund, 16 Surrey Crescent, Lower Mitcham. 5062

Mr. Lawrence Shaw, Main Road, Clarendon. 5157.

Ruth LePoidevin, 15 Finbar Crescent, Christie Downs.

CATTLEYA

Queen of the Orchid World

By Syd Monkhouse.

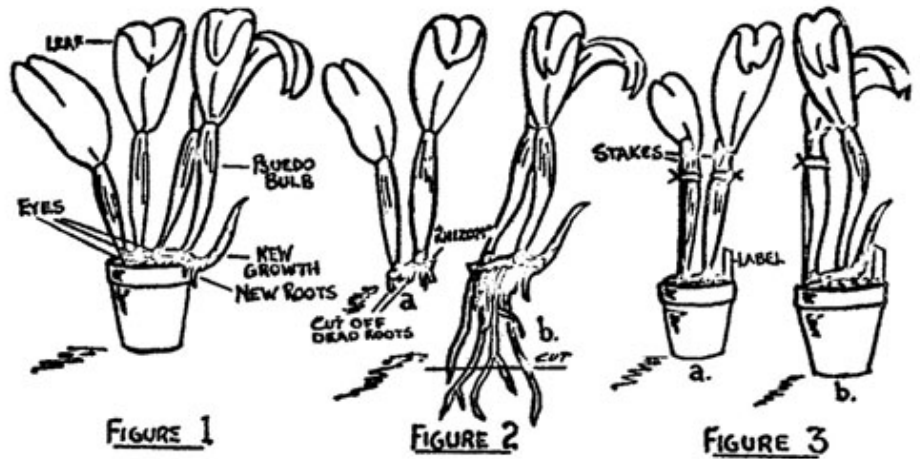
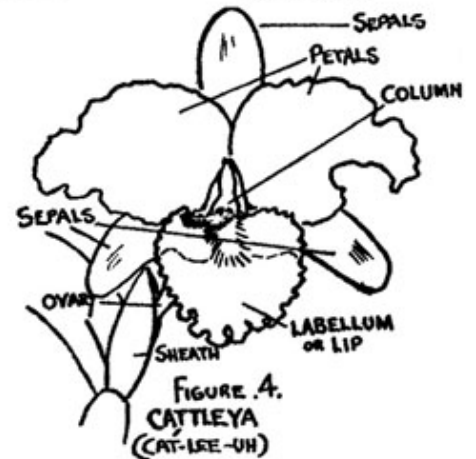


FIGURE 1

FIGURE 2

FIGURE 3

**CATTLEYA ORCHIDS—
THESE BEAUTIES ARE
REALLY THE QUEEN OF THE
ORCHID WORLD!**



The conditions required to grow them successfully are not difficult to provide. They grow quite well in an unheated glasshouse, although, of course they will do even better if some extra winter heat is available.

Plain fir bark (medium or coarse grade) makes the most ideal potting mixture for them, and during their growing season (summer in a cold glasshouse) they appreciate a weekly feed of fertilizer.

POTS MAY BE EITHER PLASTIC OR TERRACOTTA. I PREFER THE FORMER FOR APPEARANCE SAKE, ALTHOUGH AS CATTLEYS APPRECIATE DRYING OUT SOMEWHAT BETWEEN WATERINGS, THE LATTER WOULD HELP IN THIS REGARD.

They like a moist atmosphere, but do not keep the compost in the pots dripping wet or else you will have some trouble with roots rotting. Fairly high light intensity is suitable for catts, but nowhere near the light required for cymbidiums is necessary.

REPOTTING "CATTS" Cattleyas are ready to repot or divide when in the condition of the plant in figure 1. Make sure that at least one growth 'eye' is live on the back cut. Then remove all dead roots. If the roots on the forward section (figure 2) are damaged or too long to fit in the new pot without damage, cut off about one-third of their length.

Pot up the divisions as in figure 3 making sure to keep the old portion of the plant as near the edge of the pot as possible. This gives the new growths the maximum growth space before the plant reaches the other edge of the pot. Any cuts in the rhizome should be dusted with sulphur to prevent rot setting in. The plant must be securely staked, as a wobbly plant will not make satisfactory root growth. Lastly, don't forget to affix the correct label to the pots immediately so that no mistakes are made after naming.

FOR YOUR LIBRARY

For the members who are interested in the Paphiopedilum Species, there is a booklet available which has been compiled by the judging panel of the Queensland Orchid Society.

This booklet is available from the Secretary of the Queensland Orchid Society, Mrs. J. Kelso, Queensland Orchid Society, G.P.O. Box 2002, Brisbane, 4001. The cost is \$2-00 each plus postage.

NAMED CROSSINGS

The following Cymbidium Seedlings have now been named and registered:-

- Dorama x Wallara, CITATION
- Vieux Rose x Wallara, TRIUMPHANT
- Mary Ann x Wallara, CAPTIVATION
- Borough Green x Wallara, JUBILATION
- Sussex Dawn x Wallara, IDOLIZE
- Hamsey x Wallara, REVELATION

TO ALL MEMBERS

Due to our Editor, Mr. John Leeder going overseas shortly, I have been appointed as Editor of The South Coast Orchid Club monthly gazette with Mrs. Lois Hansen and Mrs. Brenda Lynch as Assistants.

Between the three of us, we hope to produce a Gazette that not only informs you of future meetings, coming events and competition results, but an interesting, informative bulletin with articles of interest to everyone.

To do this, we need your co-operation. Perhaps you may have some suggestions or ideas for our future gazettes, and if you do, I would very much appreciate hearing your views.

You may have read an article somewhere that interested you so bring it along to any Cultural Meeting and give it to either one of us and it can be printed for everyone to read.

Hoping for your support and co-operation for our future Club Gazettes.

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"Before we were married you told me you were well off," she protested bitterly. "And so I was," he snarled, "But I didn't have enough sense to know it."

FEBRUARY MEETING

February was our Annual General Meeting and a few positions still remain unfilled.

Mr. Keith Northcote remains the President.

No Vice-President as yet.

Mr. Harry Viney - Secretary.

Mrs. Brenda Lynch - Treasurer.

The Club requires a Vice President, a Registrar of Judges and a Librarian.

Come on all you members, put some enthusiasm behind your Orchid Club and let's hope the vacant positions will be filled soon.

LIBRARIAN

Thanks to Mrs. Thorel Tormet for her work so ably done as Librarian for the past 12 months.

The Library has been appreciated by many Club members who have gained considerable knowledge from books obtainable from our library.

Mrs. Thorel Tormet has now resigned but I feel sure she will pass on her knowledge to the person who takes on the important job as Librarian.

LIFE MEMBERS

Members at the Annual General Meeting voted overwhelmingly on the recommendation of the committee to honour Mr. Bernie Hansen and Mr. Syd Monkhouse with their Life Membership to the South Coast Orchid Club.

Life Membership is the highest honour which our Club can bestow on a Member and is well deserved by both.

Congratulations Bernie and Syd and thank you for all the work and effort you have both put into the South Coast Orchid Club.

TRADING TABLE

The Trading table is a very interesting part of the Cultural meetings and it is hoped that members will continue to support this venue with backbulbs, orchids, plants etc. as has been done in the past.

If you have any of these to sell then bring them along for other members to purchase.

CYMBIDIUM CULTURAL NOTES by Russell Martin.

(extract from the March 1974, issue of the S.A. Orchid Bulletin.)

Growers of cymbidiums who have succeeded in negotiating the recent spell of sustained hot weather, with little or no damage to their plants, are to be congratulated. It has been a trying time on both plants and growers. However, with the approach of Autumn, considerable sting has gone out of the sun and now is a good time to attend to your plants and obtain the best results from the forthcoming flowering season.

Cymbidiums will benefit from a dose of your favourite feeding, be it liquid fertilizer or solid.

Flower spikes will have appeared at the base of mature bulbs, or will be breaking through the outer-most leaves at the base of new growths. They will continue to appear over the next few months. It is wise to turn the plant and face the developing flower spikes in a northerly direction, thus eliminating unsightly bends in the spike as it develops.

If you have any insect, fungal or bacterial problems, now is the time to combat these, before the flower buds emerge from the sheath. If you have succeeded in avoiding such problems, don't rest on your laurels but apply a cover spray for prevention. It is far easier to prevent a problem, rather than waiting until it has a hold. Again use your favourite spray programme.

If you are troubled with Red Spider or Mite, you will find Gammexane Smoke Generators very effective in a glasshouse. Slugs and snails are about and should be eliminated long before the flowering season. There is a number of good baits available, but a most effective method is to use pieces of lettuce or cabbage leaves as a bait and employ a team of youngsters to go around the traps at regular intervals and 'capture the game'. An incentive of one cent per slug or snail does help, but don't be surprised if you have to hand out from \$1 to \$10 in a day and make sure the youngsters don't arrive for work with a tin full of slugs and snails.

AIR MOVEMENT

Air movement is of great importance at this time of the year and is a great help in controlling fungal and bacterial outbreaks. A circulating fan of some description will be beneficial in a glasshouse especially at night when, due to moist humid conditions, fungal spores germinate with alarming rapidity.

A few minutes spent daily in the glasshouse, when the trained eye of the grower can rapidly ascertain any changes in growth habit or disease development, will pay handsome dividends when the flowering season commences.

The flower spike and the eventual flowering is the culmination of twelve months growth and each grower should be prepared to spend a little extra daily time, to ensure that this flowering is unimpaired.

FEBRUARY COMPETITION RESULTS

OPEN SECTION

Species	Paph. 'Parishii'	Bernie Hansen	3
Division Flower of the Month -	'Parishii'	Bernie Hansen	

1ST DIVISION

Cattleya	Harrisoniae x Brassovola 'Digbyana'	J. Nicholls	3
	B.L.C. Kong 'Urai Gold'	H. & T.A. Tormet	2
	Breydon x Intermedia x Bicolor	M. & C. Strout	1

Paph.	Jogjae	H. & T.A. Tormet	3
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Species	Phal. Equestris var 'Rosea'	Mr. & Mrs. Nicholls	3
	Vanda Roeblingiana	"	2
	Dendrobium Dearei	"	1

Misc. Gen.	Unknown Miltonia Hybrid	H. & T. Tormet	3
	Brassia 'Verrucosa' x Self	Mr. & Mrs. Nicholls	2

Division Flower of the Month -	Phal. Equestris var 'Rosea'	Mr. & Mrs. Nicholls	
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2ND DIVISION

Cattleya	C. Harrisoniae c C. Guttata	L. & J. Chambers	3
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Species	Epidendrum 'Cochleatum'	L. & J. Chambers	3
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Division Flower of the Month -	C. Harrisoniae x C. Guttata	L. & J. Chambers	
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PLANTS OF THE MONTH

Presidents Flower of the Month:-

Phal. Equestris var 'Rosea' owned by Mr. & Mrs. Nicholls.

Popular Votes:-

Indoor Plant Kentia Palm (I do not have the owners name at this stage but shall publish it in the April Gazette)

Orchid:- B.L.C. Kong 'Urai Gold' owned by H. & T.A. Tormet.

The Judges for the evening were Mr. Syd Monkhouse and Mr. Tom Burian.

MONTHLY COMPETITION

JANUARY COMPETITION RESULTS

OPEN SECTION

Misc. Genera	Ascocenda Eileen Beauty	L. & N. Poole	3
	Oncidium (Unknown)	R. & A. Gowling	2
Division Flower of the Month:-			
	Ascocenda - Eileen Beauty	L. & N. Poole	

1ST DIVISION

Cattleya	Bowringiana	Mr. & Mrs. D. May	3
Paphiopedilum	Glaucophyllum	M. & C. Strout	3
Species	Oncidium 'Flexuosum'	M. & C. Strout	3
	Oncidium 'Flexuosum'	Peter Speer	2
Misc. Genera	Oncidium Spacelatum x Sarcodes	Roy Hill	3
	Epidendrum Radiatum x Atropurpureum		
	var. Roseum	Roy Hill	2
Division Flower of the Month:-			
	Onc. Spacelatum x Sarcodes	Roy Hill	

2ND DIVISION

Phalaenopsis	Jane Seymour x Dearheart 'Glorious Dawn'	C. Jonsson	3
Misc. Genera	Vanda Ellen x Ascocenda Yip Sum Wah	C. Jonsson	3
Division Flower of the Month:-			
	Vanda Ellen x Asc. Yip Sum Wah	C. Jonsson	

PLANTS OF THE MONTH

Presidents Flower of the Month:-

Oncidium Spacelatum x Sarcodes owned by Mr. Roy Hill.

This plant also received 'Popular Vote'.

Indoor Plants Maiden Hair Fern owned by L. & N. Poole also received 'Popular Vote.'

LIBRARY

All members should know that the Library is for their convenience and that of all other Club Members, not for just a few.

Books should be hold for 1 month only, otherwise an overdue fee may have to be charged. The Committee does not want to have to do this, but may find it necessary because some have been so tardy in returning books and magazines during the past 6 months or so in particular.

Floral Art

LIAISON MEMBER TO GENERAL COMMITTEE:-- MRS LOIS HANSEN

INSTRUCTOR:-- MRS MAVIS HEINJUS

MONTHLY MEETING FLORAL ART GROUP

The next Monthly Meeting will be held at the Lutheran Kindergarten Hall, Christie Downs on Tuesday March 6th, at 7.45 p.m.

ACTIVITIES

Homework - Modern Arrangement.

Topic for Meeting - Division 1. L. Shape
Open Interpretive

PROGRAMME FOR THE FOLLOWING THREE MONTHS:-

April - Division 1. Crescent
Open Rythmic Beauty

May - Division 1. Hogarth Line
Open Own Choice

June - Division 1. Show Revision
Open Show Revision

To enable Members to practice for the Winter Show, the following are the topics for that Show:-

Division 1. 1. Line arrangement and name it.
2. Own Choice.
3. Arrangement using three flowers.

Open 1. Rythmic Beauty.
2. Interpretive and name it.
3. Modern.

Our evenings will be rewarding and to enable all Members to gain the maximum benefit, it is requested that due attention be paid to the time of commencement of the meetings, i.e., 7.45 p.m.

AT ALL MEETINGS FOR THE PURPOSES OF INSTRUCTION IN BASIC LINES, PRINCIPLES AND GROUND WORK ANY MATERIAL AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS CONSISTENT WITH THE NEEDS OF THE INSTRUCTOR WILL BE USED. IN CLUB COMPETITION ONLY ORCHIDS WILL BE USED. MEMBERS WILL BE BRINGING AND DOING.

GROUP MEETS FIRST TUESDAY IN EACH MONTH
7.45 P.M.

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