



# THE SOUTH COAST ORCHID CLUB GAZETTE

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Happy New Year to all Members and your families.

**NEXT MEETING:**

Tuesday 11th February 1992  
Annual General Meeting  
Lutheran Church Hall, Windsong Crt, Morphett Vale  
Benching of plants to be completed by 7.45pm  
for judging.  
Meeting begins at 8.00pm.

**Business:**

To elect Office Bearers for the forthcoming year.

Presentation of Awards

Slides will be shown to determine Flower of the Year for South Coast Orchid Club.

Norm Gitsham will present a film program.

**SUPPER:**

Mrs Trix Anderson will be in charge.

**HALL SET-UP:**

Would all willing to assist please arrive by 7pm.

**DAY-TIME CHAPTER:**

2pm. Thursday 13th February 1992, 'A Backyard Full of Orchids' at 4 Eucla Ave, Warradale. **NOTE CHANGE OF ADDRESS FOR THIS MEETING ONLY.** Please bring a chair. Afternoon tea provided. See you there.

**TRADING TABLE:**

Mr. Dennis Daykin will be in charge.

**COMMITTEE MEETING:**

Tuesday 18th February 1992, 7.30pm at the South Brighton Community Hall.

## 1992 ELECTION

The following nominations have been received -

PRESIDENT	Neil Wolfendale
SECRETARY	Diana Lockitt
TREASURER	Dale Cook
VICE-PRES.	Terry Howard
	Helen Edwards

These nominees will be elected unopposed.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS	Trix Anderson
	Bev. Carpenter
	Lesley Gunn
	Betty Wyly

As only two are required an election will be necessary.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS who still have one year of their term to serve are John Jacobsen and Rosalie Moore.

Show Marshall, Registrar of Judges, Promotion Officer, Librarians, Editor etc will be appointed by the new committee at the next committee meeting.

## DAYTIME CHAPTER by K.H. Northcote

A pleasant time was had by all members at the Christmas meeting that featured a discussion on Orchids as Members of the Plant Kingdom, a film on the making of plastic pots, and our big, big, Christmas Raffle when everyone took a gift and won a gift. The special Christmas Afternoon tea was appreciated by all and provided a happy social occasion. See you in 1992.

## JUDGES' ROSTER February Meeting

Would all judges please meet at the Judges' table no later than 7.50pm. Anyone not available please advise K.H. Northcote.

## MEMBERSHIP

Members are reminded that subscriptions are NOW due. PLEASE see the Treasurer at the February meeting.

## PROMOTIONS

As a result of our Aggregate points Competition the following members are to be promoted -

1st Div to Open Div	J. & B. Gay
1st Div to Open	T. & M Richardson
2nd Div to 1st Div	M. Cunningham
2nd Div to 1st Div	M. Norton
2nd Div to 1st Div	T. Proepster
2nd Div to 1st Div	R. & B. Wilson

Congratulations and good luck in your new division.

## MY EXPERIENCES WITH FLORAL ART.

by Joan May

In the middle of the 1960s with a three-year old daughter and a one-year old son, I decided to take up a hobby and as I had an affinity with flowers and had been complimented on large arrangements done for my local Church and had success in the garden, I decided to further my education and love of flowers and attended a W.E.A. class at the University of Adelaide given by Betty Byrne. It was a twelve month introduction of four terms - Summer, Autumn, Winter and Spring. I really did enjoy the challenge and at the end of the term, Mrs Byrne suggested I should continue in this field and join the South Australian Floral Art Club. The following year after being nominated by her to join. I began a long association with this particular Club. We met once a month and progressed from Learners Division to Open, during which time I entered shows, winning prizes including the Royal Show exhibits. It was there I discovered wire-work was where my talents lie. Wedding bouquets and shoulder sprays proved so enjoyable I knew I wanted to do more. I encouraged my husband, Don, to grow orchids in the late 1960s by presenting him with the first plant. We now have over 5,000 cymbidiums and also grow paphiopedilums - my favourites -

along with cattleyas, in a cold glasshouse.

It was then I took weekly night classes to learn more about wire-work. I did this for about two years and the more experience I had the more confident I became. I enjoy using all flowers but orchids most of all. All types have a charm and place of their own and can be adapted to use anywhere.

Late in the 1970s for over a period of ten years, I did some teaching which I really enjoyed. This particular class developed a special bond. It was very therapeutic and a great social outlet for all and we gained much from it. Some fingers did not work too well but everyone helped one another. I gave up that class two years ago and I no longer belong to the S.A. Floral Art Club. As I still have a family at home and work each day and have my own orchids to look after, I find one meeting a month with the S.A. Orchid Club is sufficient.

Early in the 1970s I was approached to do the flowers for a Wedding. I have since arranged flowers for many Weddings and this has proved to be very fulfilling and given me great pleasure. Every Wedding is different and the bouquets and arrangements are designed for each individual bride and my own special love goes into every wedding.

Joan concluding her talk with a few slides of her beautiful work and presented the club with a Christmas gift to go in our Raffle. Thanks Joan.

THUNIA

Ed.

An interesting and ,to me, unusual orchid at the December Cultural Meeting was Thunia alba grown by Don Biebrick.

I had actually driven to the meeting next to and then behind Don and the white flowers I could

see bobbing up and down in the back of his car really had me guessing. I had thought that maybe it was a white tiger lily or even a gladioli that Don was putting in as a raffle prize. But no it was Thunia alba.

The native habitat of this species is Southeast Asia, India and China.

Thunias are sympodial i.e. have a rhizome that grows horizontal, like the cattleyas and laelias etc, they're terrestrial and will form clumps of erect stems up to 50inches high.

Don grows his plant out with the cymbidiums. It is in fine bark, watered up to twice a week this time of the year , and fertilized with very weak fertilizer. Don puts a little blood and bone around the top of the pot.

The plant at the meeting had 5 lovely white flowers but some of the genus can have up to 12 blooms. Maybe next time we see this one the flower count will have increased too.

Maybe I wont mistake it for a gladdy or tiger lily either.

## PLANT NAMES

From time to time a note is put in the Gazette regarding the names on the plants that have been benched at the Cultural Meeting. Sometimes a particular crossing has recently been registered so there is a name change or sometimes a spelling correction is made . It would be appreciated if you see that your winning plant has suffered a name change at the hands of your Registrar or Editor that you either alter your label accordingly or seek confirmation from the registrar and then alter your label.

Please check this months results for a couple of changes.Thank you.

DECEMBER 1991 FLOWER OF THE MONTH  
 ENCYCLIA RAIATEA grown by Betty Wyly

The plant of 7 shiny ovoid pseudobulbs was growing in an 18cm. pot in bark and isolite, and carried 2 tall branching inflorescences of purplish brown flowers 27 and 28 respectively.

This hybrid was registered in 1953 and is a crossing of *Enc. selligera* and *cordigera*, two species from Mexico, Central America and Columbia.

Encyclias grow with a minimum night temperature of 10c. When in active growth give plenty of water and humidity. They seem to like moderate shade, and grow quite happily given the same culture as cattleyas. Keep on the dry side once the new growth matures.

OPEN DIVISION	Judges	H. Edwards J. Gay	
Aust. Native Epi:Sp	<i>Cym. canaliculatum</i>	R. Moore	3
	<i>Malaxis latifolia</i>	J. Nicholls	2
	<i>Cym. madidum</i>	R. & B. Anderson	1
Standard Cattleya	<i>L. purpurata</i> X <i>C. schroderae</i>	R. & B. Anderson	3
Novelty Cattleya	<i>C. Angelwalker</i>	R. Moore	3
Cocktail Cattleya	<i>Lc. Angel Love 'Pinky'</i>	R. Moore	3
Dendrobium	<i>Pixie Princess 'H &amp; R'</i>	J. Nicholls	3
	<i>Fran's Twist</i> X <i>Jester 'Vicki'</i>	J. Nicholls	2
Miscellaneous	<i>Encyclia Raitea</i>	B. Wyly	3
Phalaenopsis	( <i>Mt Rokko</i> X <i>Surf City</i> ) X ( <i>Mt Kaala</i> X <i>Debbie Martin</i> )	K.H. Northcote	2
Nov. Paphiopedilum	<i>Helvetia</i>	B. Wyly	3
Spec. Paphiopedilum	<i>argus</i>	R. Moore	3
Odont./Onc. Alliance	<i>Vuyl. Cambria 'Plush'</i> X <i>Oda. Carribean Holiday</i> <i>Wils. Salgrin 'Purple Splash'</i> <i>Milt. (Butterfly X Herbert Johnson)</i>	R. Moore J. & J. Jacobsen R. Moore	3 2 1
Species	<i>Den. chrysotoxum</i>	T. DeIonno	3
	<i>Encyclia cochleatum</i>	T. DeIonno	2
Cattleya & Allied Genera	<i>Ctna. Why Not 'Super Nova'</i> <i>C. Summer Stars</i> X ( <i>Epi. mariae</i> X <i>L. purpurata</i> ) <i>Ctna. Maui Maid</i>	B. Wyly R. Moore R. & B. Anderson	3 2 1
Vandaceous	<i>Ascocenda Waimanalo Rose</i> <i>Ascda. Peggy Foo 'Noda'</i>	R. & B. Anderson J. Nicholls	3 2

FLOWER OF THE DIVISION: ENCYCLIA RAIATEA grown by Betty Wyly

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FIRST DIVISION		Judges	B. Wyly R. Moore	
Aust. Native Epi. Sp	Cym. madidum Den. cucumerinum Cym. canaliculatum		C. & C. Hames J. & B. Gay D. Biebrick	3 2 1
Standard Cattleya	Blc. Lim Theng Hin Lc. Malibu		J. Lewis C. Ameer	3 2
Novelty Cattleya	Pot. Hoku Gem		C. Ameer	3
Nov. Cluster Cattleya	Slc. Jewel Box 'Scheherazade'		C. Ameer	3
Dendrobium	Franky Sie X Blue Pacific		W.R. Barrett	3
Epidendrum	Epi. Unknown Epi. tampense Epi. Bees Knees X cordigera		J. & B. Gay T. & D. Howard C. Ameer	3 2 1
Phalaenopsis	Winter Kaala 'Sun Moon Beauty' Paifang Queen X Ella Danseuse Strawberry Love X Chiali Stripe		R. & I. Goodall R. & I. Goodall R. & I. Goodall	3 2 1
Std. Paphiopedilum	Harrisianum Balls var		R. Parish	3
Nov. Paphiopedilum	barbatum X sukhakulii wolterianum X acmodontum		D. Biebrick D. Biebrick	3 2
Sp. Paphiopedilum	victoria-mariae druryi acmodontum		R. Parish R. Parish R. Parish	3 2 1
Species	Onc. sphacelatum Thunia alba C. labiata		C. Ameer D. Biebrick T. & D. Howard	3 2 1
Vandaceous	Rhyncostylis retusa Renanthera monachica Ascocentrum miniatum		J. & B. Gay J. & B. Gay J. & B. Gay	3 2 1

**FLOWER OF THE DIVISION : RHYNCOSTYLIS retusa grown by J. & B. Gay**  
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SECOND DIVISION		Judges	B. Carpenter K.H. Northcote	
Miscellaneous	Brassia verrucosa		B. & R. Nurse	3
Odont/onc. Alliance	Wilsonara 'Shirley Monkhouse'		B. Fisher	3
Species	Oncidium sphacelatum		R. & B. Wilson	3
Cattleya & Allied Genera	Ctna. Maui Maid		B. & R. Nurse	3

**FLOWER OF THE DIVISION : ONCIDIUM sphacelatum grown by R. & B. Wilson**  
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