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AUTUMN SHOW

Tuesday May 14th 1996 , Calvery Lutheran Church Hall,
Windsong Crt, Morphett Vale. Benching of plants to be
completed by 7-45 pm for judging.
Meeting commences at 8pm.

NEXT MEETING:

Mr Dieter Weise, from Victoria ,will be our Guest for this
meeting. Dieter has visited South America several times and
will show slides of orchids growing in situ. Many of his
photographs have appeared in Orchids Australia. For further
insight into some of Dieter's activities read Orchids Australia
December 1993, in particular, page 41.

GUEST SPEAKER:

HALL SET-UP:

Would all willing to assist please be at the Hall by 7 o'clock or
earlier if possible.

SUPPER:

Tea, Coffee, Cordial and Biscuits will be provided.

DAYTIME CHAPTER:

2pm Thursday 16th May 1996 pm. at South Brighton
Community Hall, Dover Square Reserve, Broadway, South
Brighton. Australian Terrestrial Orchids will again be the topic
for this meeting.

SOCIAL EVENTS:

Prior to this **May** meeting, at **7 o'clock**, we will be having a 3
course Dinner in the Church kindergarten. The menu will
consist of vegetable soup, chicken, ham and salads, and desert.
If you would like to attend **please ring the treasurer, Graham
Shevlin 2767652, as soon as possible.** Cost is \$5 per head.

DAYTIME CHAPTER- AUSTRALIAN TERRESTRIAL ORCHIDS

Keith welcomed a small group to our May meeting. Apologies were received from several on the sick list (but progressing nicely) one who was preparing for a wedding and one gallivanting around NSW - best wishes to all.

Again our topic was South Western Australian terrestrial orchids with slides from the Slide Bank. Keith suggested the title should really be 'Meet some strange beauties'.

One of the first of the year to bloom is *Eriochilus dilatatus*, or White Bunny orchid. It grows to a height of approximately 15cm. and can have up to 10, mainly white, flowers. The species is extremely variable, however, it is endemic to WA, flowering between

March and June.

The taxonomists have been 'playing' with *Leptoceras*. Fringed Hare orchid or *Leptoceras fimbriatus* is another autumn/winter flowering species growing to about 25cm. in height found in heath country

As you can see by the common names above we were in the Easter mode with 'bunnies' and 'hares' but then came the 'birds', 'ducks' and 'donkeys' and even 'hammers', 'jugs', 'shells' and a 'mournful' orchid.

Lyperanthus serriatus is commonly called 'rattlebeak' however, the name *Lyperanthus* is actually Greek for mournful flower. There are 5 in this genus. *serriatus* and *nigricans* (red beaks) are both widespread in the South Western Australia and most bloom in September/October.

Another terrestrial endemic to WA is *Drakaea elastica* which grows to about 20cms high and flowers in September/October. In this genus we have common names of Hammer Orchid, Warty Hammer Orchid, King in His Carriage and Praying Virgin.

Robert Brown, a noted British Botanist, named many of the *Prasophyllums*. The common names here include the Humped Leek Orchid, Autumn Leek Orchid, Fringed Leek Orchid, Yawning Leek

Orchid and Swamp Leek Orchid. All the species of this genus are upside down with the labellum above.

The *Thelymitra* genus was also represented in the slides. *Thelymitra antennifera* (Lemon Sun Orchid), *fuscolutea* (Leopard Sun Orchid) and *villosa* (Custard Orchid) were all eye-catching. These are not often seen at the Shows or on the bench as they need daylight and possibly heat and humidity to open.

Pterostylis recurva (Jug or Shell Orchid) is an interesting orchid with an erect galea. Actually the distinguishing feature of this genus is the manner in which the dorsal sepal and the petals join to form a galea or hood surrounding the column. This species flowers in August/October.

At the conclusion of the slides Helen Edwards gave the plant commentary as Keith's voice was 'giving out'. We were fortunate in having a Mum, Dad and offspring in our benched plants with *B. nodosa* x *C. howringiana* = Bc. Makai.

It was interesting to see the features Bc. Makai had inherited from each parent.

Both Helen and the members chose Keith's Lc. Mary Elizabeth Bohn as number 1 on the bench. Members chose Blc. Mem. Crispin Rosales 2nd and Hawaiian Wedding Song 3rd.

The afternoon concluded with a chat and a cuppa.

3rd AUSTRALASIAN NATIVE ORCHID CONFERENCE UPDATE.

Planning for the Conference continues to go well with delegates coming from South Africa, USA, England, Germany, New Zealand and most states of Australia.

Adelaide looks like the place to be the last weekend in September with Irish Dancers holding their national competitions, the Bay to Birdwood run for Vintage and Veteran cars, a Hospitality and Catering Show and the South Australian National Football League Preliminary Final.

GET WELL WISHES

Again we have members, or their partners, on the sick list. Our thoughts are with you.

DAY OUT?

Are you interested in a visit to Johnston Orchids and Newman Nursery in August?

An indication of interest will be required at the may meeting.

BEGONIA FARM & B.B.Q

On a lovely Autumn day nearly 30 members and friends visited the Begonia Farm and saw a beautiful array of flowers, ranging in color from white thru all the pastels, except blue and green, to the darkest red.

Following the Begonia Farm visit we journeyed to the Higgs' abode. After a walk around the lovely garden we sat down to a tasty barbeque plus.

To help digest lunch most of us went on a walk in Higgs' cowpastures.

On the hill behind the home there is a peat bog fed by a natural spring, this provides a habitat for many ground orchids. Jane had previously marked the location of some *Cryptostylis*. Finding the blue tags (markers) in the tea-trees proved just as difficult as finding the orchids. Eventually, however, the keen eyes of Janet O'Brien saved the day and Jane pointed out to us a large colony of *Cryptostylis* growing in the tussock. Unfortunately the plants don't flower until Spring.

The afternoon concluded with a thanks to Jane and Don Higgs and Lesley Fenton who organized the lovely day.

RAFFLE PLANTS

Plants for the raffle this month will again be an assortment, with cymbidiums in spike, pot plants and mature cattleyas being included.

NOMENCLATURE

Whilst pondering the problem of filling this space I was glancing through an Australian Orchid Council Awards book looking at all the beautiful plants that had received awards in 1994. I wondered what a new member, or in some cases not so new, thought when they saw the name *Dendrobium kingianum* 'Anita' AD/AOC-VIC.

Let's start at the beginning. *Dendrobium* tells you that it belongs to that genus and as the next name i.e. *kingianum*, is also in italics and has no capital it tells us that it is a species i.e. not manmade. The next name 'Anita' is a clonal name. That means that someone has given that particular plant of the species a name. This is always in ordinary print commencing with a capital letter and inside single quotation marks. Sometimes instead of writing the name *Dendrobium* in full it is abbreviated to Den.. To find out the correct abbreviation we refer to Sanders list of Orchid Hybrids which is published by the Royal Horticultural Society in England.

After the name our plant had several letters—the first two, AD, refers to the award the plant received. An Award of Distinction is given for a feature of excellence, such as color, size, floriferousness. Flower count should be reasonable for its genus.

The letters AOC/VIC means that this plant was granted an award by the Victorian state judging panel and that had been accepted by the Australian Orchid Council.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS OF TROPHIES FOR 1995

Australian Orchid Council Trophy	
Most Aggregate Points	Don Biebrick
L.& R. Moore Trophy	
Australian Native Epiphytes	Don Biebrick
Steven Gambell Award	
Australian Native Terrestrial	Malcolm Tiggeman
Glen Forrest Memorial Trophy	
Paphiopedilum Species	Ron & Irene Parish
John Leeder Memorial Trophy	
Odontoglossum Alliance	Betty Wyly
State Bank Trophy	
Most Successful Exhibitor at Shows	Moss & Rosemary Bray

WINNERS OF GLASSES

OPEN DIVISION	1ST DIVISION	2ND DIVISION
Don Biebrick	Malcolm Tiggeman	A.& V.Thompson
Betty Wyly	Chas Amee	Bill Fisher
Ray & Trix Anderson	Michael Cunningham	John Dudley
Moss & Rosemary Bray	Richard & Beryl Wilson	D.& I Attenborough
Helmuth Gerber	John Lewis	G. & W. Shevlin
John & Sandra Nicholls	Ron & Irene Parish	Geoff Richardson
Rosalie Moore	Frank Bell	Bill & Ruth Clark
	Harry & Berna Viney	Don & Jane Higgs

ON THE BENCHES - APRIL

by Rosalie Moore

The benches again this month displayed many lovely Cattleyas, standard, cluster, novelty and allied genera.

The novelty cluster cattleya that was represented in each Division, and all were Divisional winners, was *Cattleya Bactia* 'Forever Yours'. These plants were divisions of the Open Division winner that belonged to Tony DeLonno. The other plants were owned by Frank Bell and John Dudley. All were particularly well grown in a bark mix.

Cattleya Bactia is a primary hybrid, i.e the progeny of two species, and another of the gems hybridized and registered in 1902 by Mr Veitch. These hybrids would have been remade over the years with improved or superior *C. bowringiana* and *C. guttata*. The number of flowers on *C. Bactia* is from the lovely rose-purple *C. bowringiana* which was also benched. This species was discovered in British Honduras in 1884. The bulbs are swollen at the base with 2 or more thick leaves and may carry 5-20 well shaped flowers. *C.guttata* gives the plant the vigorous growth habit, with its tall canes, and also imparts the waxy, glistening texture to the flowers. *guttata* also adds size to the flowers and the shape of the labellum.

FLOWER OF THE NIGHT

The Winner of Flower of the Night was Tony's DeLonno's *C. Bactia*. The lovely fresh head of flowers displayed 17 fully opened flowers of dark purple hue.

These plants will grow under sarlon cloth in a sheltered area, but flower better if grown in a cold glass house. Plants always flower in Autumn .

MONTHLY FLORAL COMPETITION RESULTS

SECOND DIVISION

Standard Cattleya	Blc. Frank Fordyce 'Borneo Gal'	A.& V. Thompson	3
Cluster Cattleya	Blc. Mem. Crispin Rosales x <i>C. bowringiana</i>	A.& V. Thompson	2
Novelty Cattleya	Bc. Binosa 'Lynn' x <i>C. Interglossa</i>	J. Dudley	3
	<i>L. purpurata</i> x <i>C. Intermediatte</i>	A.& V. Thompson	2
	Bc. Madam Hye	A.& V. Thompson	1
Nov. Cluster Cattleya	<i>C. Bactia</i> 'Forever Yours'	J. Dudley	3
	<i>C. bowringiana</i> x <i>C. Claesiana</i>	D.& I. Attenborough	2
Cocktail Cattleya	Sl. Orpettii x Blc. Don De Michaels	A.& V. Thompson	3
Nov. Paphiopedilum	Bingleyense	J.& P. Beasley	3
Odont/Oncidium Alliance	Milt. May Moir	D.& I. Attenborough	3
	Milt. Estrelita	J.& P. Beasley	2
Species	<i>Z. crinitum</i>	J. Kelly	3

FLOWER OF THE DIVISION:

Cattleya Bactia 'Forever Yours' grown by John Dudley

W. W. GOODALE MOIR

When Keith Northcote did the plant commentary for the second division plants he mentioned Mr W. W. Goodale Moir.

Goodale passed away in 1985 at his home in Honolulu. He was educated as an agriculturist and spent his working years in the sugar industry. His expertise in plant sciences was bought to bear on his orchids. He kept notes on all his crosses or attempted crosses and kept track of all his failures as well as successes.

He was not only interested in the Miltassias but was also a leader in creating *Broughtonia* primary hybrids. The beautiful *Cattleytonia* Rosy Jewel that we occasionally see on the showbench was the first cattleytonia registered . This was done by Moir in 1956. In later years he introduced 13 more *Broughtonia*-type intergeneric combinations.

FIRST DIVISION

Aust. Nat. Epi: Hybrid	Den. Elegant Heart	J. & B. Gay	3
Aust. Nat. Terr: Species	<i>Ptst. obtusa</i>	M. Tiggeman	3
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Inter. Cymbidium	Valentines Love 'Leanne'	M. Tiggeman	3
Mini. Cymbidium	Minuet	M. Tiggeman	3
	Mini Verde	M. Cunningham	2
Std. Cattleya	Blc. Francis Miles 'Lovely'	C. Ameer	3
	Bc. Mount Anderson	P. O'Brien	2
Nov. Cattleya	Blc. Makaha Gold x C. Chocolate Drop	F. Bell	3
Nov. Cluster Cattleya	C. Bactia 'Forever Yours'	F. Bell	3
	C. Minerva 'Highercombe'	C. Ameer	2
	C. Minerva 'Highercombe'	C. Ameer	1
Other Laeliinae	Epc. Netrasiri x C. Interglossa	J. Lewis	3
Miscellaneous	Epi. Anderson's Special	H. & B. Viney	3
	Epi. Orange	H. & B. Viney	2
Nov. Paphiopedilum	<i>Paph. barbatum</i> x <i>Maudii</i> x <i>Holdenii</i>)	R. & I. Parish	3
	Transvaal 'Rosella'	R. & I. Parish	2
	<i>venustum</i> x <i>insigne</i>	R. & I. Parish	1
Odont/Oncidium Alliance	Oncidium Confetti	B. Fisher	3
	Miltassia Estrelita	R. & I. Parish	2
	Miltassia Estrelita	C. Ameer	1
Species	<i>Onc. papilio</i> (<i>Psychopsis papilio</i>)	R. & I. Parish	3
	<i>L. tenebrosa</i>	R. & I. Parish	2
	<i>Aer. grandiflora</i>	R. & I. Parish	1

FLOWER OF THE DIVISION:
***Cattleya Bactia* 'Forever Yours' grown by Frank Bell**

OPEN DIVISION

Aust. Nat. Epi. Species	<i>Liparis reflexa</i>	P. & G. Flavel	3
	<i>Liparis reflexa</i>	T. DeIonno	2
	<i>Den. cucumerinum</i>	R. & B. Anderson	1
Aust. Nat. Epi. Hybrid	Den. Hilda Poxon	D. Biebrick	3
	Den. Pink Ice	C. & H. Edwards	2
Std. Cymbidium	Winter Wonder x Tongariro	M. & R. Bray	3
Inter. Cymbidium	Mini Lady 'Chiffon'	M. & R. Bray	3
	Arkaroola x Peter Pan	H. Gerber	2
	Kauilani 'Gus Harano'	H. Gerber	1
Mini. Cymbidium	Kauilani 'Debutante'	H. Gerber	3
	Kauilani 'Summer Dream'	H. Gerber	2
	Kauilani 'Gus Harano'	H. Gerber	1
Std. Cattleya	C. Hawaiian Wedding Song 'Virgin'	K. Northcote	3
	Blc. Mem. Crispin Rosales 'No 2'	K. Northcote	2
	Lc. Royal Emperor 'Wade'	T. DeIonno	1
Nov. Cattleya	Lc. Gold Digger x Slc. Hazel Boyd	C. & H. Edwards	3
	Lc. Mary Elizabeth Bohn	K. Northcote	2
Nov. Cluster Cattleya	C. Bactia 'Forever Yours'	T. DeIonno	3
	C. Rose Drop	R. & B. Anderson	2
	C. Minerva 'Easter Bouquet'	K. Northcote	1
Cocktail Cattleya	Slc. Seagulls Delight 'Hawaii'	R. & B. Anderson	3
	Lc. Kindee x Liptonii 'Monica'	K. Northcote	2
Other Laeliinae	Epc. Saengsri Fantasy	C. & H. Edwards	3
Miscellaneous	Howeara Mini-Primi 'Paprika'	T. DeIonno	3
	Epi. Lavender Lady	D. Biebrick	2
Phalaenopsis	Dtps. Praslin x Zuma White Puff	M. & R. Bray	3
Nov. Paphiopedilum	<i>venustum x insigne</i>	P. & G. Flavel	3
	Harrisianum 'Black Knight'	D. Biebrick	2
	Red Start x St. Swithins	D. Biebrick	1
Species Paphiopedilum	<i>spicerianum</i>	C. & H. Edwards	3
Odont/Oncidium Alliance	Odcdm. Tiger Sun 'Nugget'	R. Moore	3
Species	<i>C. bowringiana</i> 'Casa Luna'	K. Northcote	3
	<i>Cirr. putidum</i>	C. & H. Edwards	2
	<i>Z. mackayi</i>	M. & R. Bray	1
Zygopetalum Alliance	Titanic	P. & G. Flavel	3
	John Banks 'Purple Lips'	R. Moore	2

FLOWER OF THE DIVISION:

Cattleya Bactia 'Forever Yours' grown by Tony DeIonno