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THE NEXT MEETING of The South Coast Orchid Club will commence at 8pm (or as close as possible) on September 14th 1999 at the Calvary Lutheran Church, Windsong Crt, Morphett Vale.

DINNER prior to the meeting will commence at 6-30pm in the Church breezeway. Cost is \$7-50 per head. Advise Murray on 82763771 before 7th if you wish to attend the Dinner.

THE GUEST SPEAKER will be Mrs Rita Cusack from Victoria. Her subject will be Phragmipediums. Rita will be bringing some baby Phrags for sale so be prepared.

DAYTIME GROUP will meet at 2pm Thursday 16th September 1999 at the South Brighton Community Hall, Dover Square Reserve, Broadway, South Brighton. The Guest Speaker will be Colin Jennings

SUPPER PEOPLE for this month will be Murray Baulderstone and Patricia Smith.

SPRING SHOW DATES

23rd – 28th August Cymbidium Club. West Lakes Shopping Centre.

3rd-11th Sept. OCSA Wayville Showgrounds.

13th – 18th Sept. NEDOS. Bi-Lo Shopping Centre Greenacres

17th – 18th –19th Sept. Murray Bridge Town Hall

18th – 19th Sept. NOSSA St. Peters Town Hall

20th — 25th Sept Gawler Elizabeth Shopping Ctr.

26th Sept.– 2nd October SCOC Marion Shopping Centre.

17th October Interclub Competition at the Elderly Centre, 14th St, Gawler. 10 am – 4 pm.

DAYTIME GROUP

On a rather pleasant afternoon Jane led the singing of Happy Birthday to Mr Ransley (I think he was 59 or perhaps I have those figures the wrong way round) and then welcomed all to the meeting. It was lovely to see Mr Liddy and Mr Munt joining us. It is hoped some of our other Members are off the sick list soon. I hear one is giving the nurses at a Hospital down Glenelg way plenty of cheek.

After general business Jill Taylor gave us an interesting talk and slide program on her involvement with orchids. For Jill's best of the Bench she chose Paphiopedilum Gigi x Redstart, grown by Don Biebrick, and Dendrobium Gulginni grown by Mr Ransley as first and Cymbidium Floripink 'Fortune' grown by Berna and Harry Viney for third. Members chose Cym. Floripink, Lc. Mini Purple grown by Geraldine and Peter Flavel, Phalaenopsis Ho's Fancy Leopard x Interlude grown by Trevor Garrard, Cymbidium Bedivere grown by Wiera Bicanin, and Pot. Goldernell grown by Helen and Charlie Edwards all first and Den. Ellen grown by Don Biebrick and Ptst. *curta* grown by Ruth and Bill Clark 2nd.

An interesting afternoon was had by all.

SPRING SHOW

The Spring Show will be held in the Westfield Marion Shopping Centre from 27th September -2nd October. The Show area will be in the David Jones Mall between the stage area and David Jones. Put-in will be on Sunday the 26th between the hours of 9.15 - 10.30.am. Entry will be via the door between David Jones and Maggie T. Judging will commence as near as possible to 10.30. Plants will be Judged before being put in the Display. Typists and as many helpers as possible will be required. Take-out will be after 5pm on Saturday the 2nd October.

Foliage plants will be required please i.e. ferns etc.

Because of limited storage space for trading table plants Members are requested to bring in no more than 20 sale plants each on put-in day. If you have more plants available please indicate on your sale sheet.

REMINDER

15th Australian Orchid Conference & Show to be held in Burnie Tasmania 10th - 15th October 2000. Interesting in attending the Show and a holiday in Tiger Country? We need to know NOW if you are interested as accommodation is tight. Ring Lesley for further information on 83327319.

ONCIDIUM onustum

A plant we see occasionally on the bench (Betty Wyly had one in June) is the mini species *Oncidium onustum*. The plant grows only a few inches tall but has a medium to long arching spike with numerous yellow to yellow-orange blooms. According to Venger's Orchids the culture of this plant is often wrong due to the fact that the plant is known to inhabit arid areas, often growing on cactus. The assumption is that it likes to be dry. In fact, the plant probably receives most of it's moisture from morning condensation and in considerable amounts. Cactus ribs, being designed to catch and channel moisture to the base of the plant, are therefore an excellent place for a tough, sun-loving plant to perch. Venger's grow them in maximum indirect light, ensuring that they are hit by a mist 3-5 times daily during the growing season. They will grow equally well in pots or mounted, though the latter is the preferred method for Venger's.

Venger's Orchids, 1220 Pando Ave. Colorado Springs CO 80906

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We bought a small compot of this species a few months ago and, oh boy, were they small. We put them on a bench on the northern wall of the glass-house with plenty of light. They were fertilised and watered the same as everything else in the glasshouse and they have thrived. We now have several plants with dear little pseudobulbs. Ed.

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ACKLE, ACKLE, WOOF, WOOF.



Thanks to several Members a few weeks ago I received an article written by Bob McGowan of The Express in U.K. I have tried to get permission to reprint the article but have been unable to get an e-mail address. However, I shall give you a brief run-down.

At McBean's Orchid Nursery in Cooksbridge, U.K. geese and dogs have been 'employed' as guards. When strangers approach the geese (and dogs) become quite noisy.

The principal orchid that the geese (and dogs) are protecting is a 'red' phalaenopsis which is believed to be worth more than 10,000 pounds due to the unique colour.

The Royal Horticultural Society Orchid Committee gave this plant, which has been registered as Phalaenopsis Lewes Festival, an Award of Merit recently. The chairman of the Committee, Dr Henry Oakeley, said, "It is a tremendous achievement. The orchid is unique in the sense of its true red colour which is uniform right out to the edges."

McBean's hope to breed with this plant with the aim of producing more red blooms larger than Phal. Lewes Festival.

Congratulations to McBean's.

I bet Moss doesn't show us that one in a hurry.
Ed

HOW TO KILL ORCHIDS by **Milton O. Carpenter (an acknowledged expert on the subject)**

I have been growing, and killing, orchids for 35 years now and it occurred to me that I should pass on to others some of the basic, as well as advanced methods I have discovered, and in some cases "stumbled upon" to accomplish this purpose.

BASIC RULES FOR KILLING

ORCHIDS: (1) Never seek information on how to keep them alive. For example, (a) don't try to distinguish what KIND of orchid you have (b) don't ask for help from other orchids growers, (c) don't go to local orchid society meetings, (d) don't purchase the AOS handbook on orchid pests and diseases and (e) don't call the AOS Director of Information Services or anyone else who may be able to help.

RATHER OBVIOUS FUNDAMENTAL METHODS FOR KILLING ORCHIDS:

Aside from pouring gasoline and striking a match, consider the following: (1) Give the orchid far too little or too much light. (2) As

most orchids like fairly good air movement, either give them none at all or a veritable hurricane. (3) Don't worry about what particular temperature your orchids like - a good "rule of thumb" is to treat them all alike. (4) Forget that most orchids like rather high humidity, and let the humidity drop as low as it will. Never "damp down" the benches and floors on really hot days. (5) Remember to water every orchid every day (drench thoroughly) regardless of what kind of media or pots they are in - or very seldom water the orchids at all, allowing the pseudobulbs (those things between the top of the pot and the base of the leaves) to become shriveled and wrinkled. (6) Never be concerned about the quality of the water you are using - whether it's loaded with chlorines, sulphides, or whatever. (7) Repot your orchids only when you have to and only "when you have spare time". (8) Use just about anything handy to pot your orchids in, it really doesn't matter and there is no truth to the thinking that certain types like different potting media (that's the stuff you put in the pot). Potting in plain old dirt from your garden is a good idea. (9) Fertilise only once or twice a year, but when you do - really pour it on, perhaps triple or quadruple the formula. (10) Try to never be concerned about insects or diseases - just let nature take its course.

SEEDLING WITH POTENTIAL

The Registrar of Judges and the Committee have decided to introduce a Club Certificate to recognise outstanding seedlings. This Certificate will not necessarily be awarded at every meeting, only to those seedlings which the judging panel consider to be worthy of special recognition.

This Month a plant was considered worthy of a Certificate. It is *Cymbidium* Gidget x Volcano which was grown by Norm Woodend. Norm tells me he bought this plant from a long time Member of the Club Mrs Thorl Tormet when she sold the majority of her plants a few years ago. The miniature flowers were quite shapely and in good condition. The colour would be best described as mushroom.

A nice addition to any collection.

Congratulations Norm.

PS Mrs Tormet was delighted to hear of this hybrid that her late husband had bred.

MONTHLY FLORAL COMPETITION

SECOND DIVISION

Aust.Nat.Epi:Species	<i>Dock. teretifolia</i>	D. & K. Cammack	3
	<i>Den. speciosum</i>	D. Smith	2
Aust.Nat.Epi:Hybrid	<i>Den. Ellen x Bardo Rose</i>	D. Cammack	3
	<i>Den. xdelicatum</i>	D. & L. Williams	2
	<i>Den. Lusty</i>	N. Woodend	1
Aust. Nat.Terr:Species	<i>Ptst. curta</i>	D. & L. Williams	3
Std. Cymbidium	<i>Cym. Tracey Reddaway 'Bonny'</i>	N. Woodend	3
Inter. Cymbidium	<i>Cym. Ruby Love 'Lena'</i>	N. Woodend	3
	<i>Cym. Mini Mint</i>	P. & G. Smith	2
	<i>Cym. Ruby Eyes x Tapestry</i>	P. & G. Smith	1
Mini. Cymbidium	<i>Cym. Sarah Jean 'Babylon'</i>	N. Woodend	3
	<i>Cym. Bedivere</i>	D. & L. Williams	2
	<i>Cym. Gidget x Volcano</i>	N. Woodend	1
Species Paphiopedilum	<i>Paph. insigne</i>	D. & K. Cammack	3
Species	<i>Ludisia discolor</i>	L. & P. Fenton	3
Best seedling with potential	<i>Cym. Gidget x Volcano</i>	N. Woodend	

FLOWER OF THE DIVISION:

Dockrillia teretifolia grown by David and Kay Cammack

SCHEDULE FOR THE SPRING SHOW 1999

Please be aware that if you accidentally , or deliberately, present a plant with additional ties or supports, all but one can be removed. Although all care will be taken, neither the judges nor the Club will be responsible for any damage that may result.

SCHEDULE FOR THE SPRING SHOW

GRAND CHAMPION

RESERVE CHAMPION

Champion Open Division

Champion First Division

Champion Second Division

Champion Standard Cymbidium
 Champion Miniature Cymbidium
 Champion Oncidiinae
 Champion Laeliinae
 Champion Australian Native
 Champion Species
 Champion Zygopetalum

Champion Intermediate Cymbidium
 Champion Paphiopedilum
 Champion Phalaenopsis
 Champion Dendrobium
 Champion Genera Not Otherwise Listed
 Champion Seedling

CARD CLASSES

Open Division

First Division

Second Division

Best white std cymbidium
 Best pink std cymbidium
 Best red std cymbidium
 Best brown standard cymbidium
 Best yellow std cymbidium
 Best green std cymbidium
 Best any other colour cymbidium
 Best specimen std cymbidium
 Best seedling std cymbidium

Best white int cymbidium
 Best pink int cymbidium
 Best red int cymbidium
 Best brown int cymbidium
 Best yellow int cymbidium
 Best green int cymbidium
 Best any other colour int cymbidium
 Best specimen int cymbidium
 Best seedling int cymbidium

Best white mini cymbidium
 Best pink mini cymbidium
 Best red mini cymbidium
 Best brown mini cymbidium
 Best yellow mini cymbidium
 Best green mini cymbidium
 Best any other colour mini cymbidium
 Best specimen miniature cymbidium
 Best seedling mini cymbidium

Best species cymbidium (any size)

Best den. hybrid (not aust. native)
 Best den. seedling (not aust native)
 Best den. species (not aust species)

Best aust native epi species
 Best aust native epi hybrid
 Best aust. native terr species
 Best aust native terr hybrid
 Best aust. native seedling

Best std. laeliinae over 100mm
 Best std laeliinae under 100mm
 Best std cluster laeliinae
 Best non std. cluster laeliinae
 Best non std other laeliinae
 All above are C. plus any combination of B. or L. or S.
 Best other laeliinae hybrid
 Best specimen laeliinae
 Best laeliinae seedling
 Best species laeliinae

Best std paphiopedilum
 Best novelty paphiopedilum
 Best seedling paphiopedilum
 Best species paphiopedilum

Best std phalaenopsis
 Best novelty phalaenopsis
 Best seedling phalaenopsis
 Best species phalaenopsis

Best hybrid odont/ocidium alliance
 Best seedling odont/ocidium alliance
 Best species odont/ocidium alliance

Best zygopetalum hybrid (inc. intergenerics)
 Best zygopetalum seedling (including Intergenerics)
 Best zygopetalum species

Best hybrid orchid not otherwise classified
 Best seedling orchid not otherwise classified
 Best specimen orchid not otherwise classified
 Best species orchid not otherwise classified.

Good Luck

FIRST DIVISION

Aust.Nat.Terr:Species	<i>Ptst. curta</i>	W. & R. Clark	3
	<i>Ptst. curta</i>	H. & B. Viney	2
Std. Cymbidium	<i>Cym. Floripink 'Fortune'</i>	H. & B. Viney	3
	<i>Cym. Red Beauty 'Bronze Delight'</i>	S. Ng	2
	<i>Cym. Winter Wonder x (Coal Fire x Rolf Bolin)</i>	S. Ng	1
Inter. Cymbidium	<i>Cym. One Tree Hill 'Doris'</i>	S. Ng	3
	<i>Cym. Mini Mint 'Green Mist'</i>	D. & I. Attenborough	2
	<i>Cym. Tricia Allen</i>	G. & M. Voskamp	1
Mini. Cymbidium	<i>Cym. Pathfinder 'Doreen'</i>	S. Ng	3
	<i>Cym. Janis Lin 'Emily Kate'</i>	G. Shevlin	2
	<i>Cym. Prolific</i>	W. & R. Clark	1
Std. Cattleya	<i>Blc. George King</i>	D. & I. Attenborough	3
	<i>Lc. Shellie Compton</i>	G. & M. Voskamp	2
	<i>C. Moroniae x Blc. Dundas</i>	G. & M. Voskamp	1
Nov. Cattleya	<i>Lc. Pirate King 'Port Wine'</i>	D. & I. Attenborough	3
Std. Paphiopedilum	<i>Paph. Hellas x Winston Churchill x Wenbourne</i>	G. & M. Voskamp	3
Species Paphiopedilum	<i>Paph. insigne</i>	M. Baulderstone	3
Species	<i>Masd. towarensis</i>	G. & M. Voskamp	3
	<i>Osmo. pulchellum</i>	W. & R. Clark	2
Best Seedling	<i>Cym. Winter Wonder x (Coal Fire x Rolf Bolin)</i>	S. Ng	

FLOWER OF THE DIVISION:
***Ptst curta* grown by Bill and Ruth Clark**

Ptst curta

as told to Helen by Bill Clark

Bill and Ruth won this pot of *curta* at a raffle at the Daytime meeting in 1996. It was donated by Bill Fisher. It didn't flower the first year but has flowered every flowering season since then. Bill repots the tubers every year. This last year he used 50% Target potting mix and 50% old soil and is quite pleased with the results.

When the flowers die down the pot is placed under the bench. Watering recommences in January – February

OPEN DIVISION

Aust.Nat.Epi:Species	<i>Den. speciosum</i>	H. Gerber	3
	<i>Den. ruppianum</i>	D. Biebrick	2
	<i>Bulb. schillerianum</i>	M. Tiggeman	1
Aust.Nat.Epi:Hybrid	<i>Den. Ellen 'Majestic'</i>	D. Biebrick	3
	<i>Den. Aussie Springtime x Ellen</i>	D. Biebrick	2
	<i>Den. Anne's Rainbow Surprise '25'</i>	K. Northcote	1
Aust.Nat.Terr:Species	<i>Ptst. baptistii</i>	D. & J. Higgs	3
	<i>Ptst. curta</i>	D. & J. Higgs	2
	<i>Ptst. concinna</i>	M. Tiggeman	1
Aust.Nat. Terr:Hybrid	<i>Ptst Joseph Arthur</i>	D. Biebrick	3
	<i>Ptst. Dusky Duke</i>	D. Biebrick	2
	<i>Ptst. Nodding Grace</i>	D. Biebrick	1
Std. Cymbidium	<i>Cym. Arcadian Sunrise</i>	M. Tiggeman	3
Inter. Cymbidium	<i>Cym. Kuran x Ruby Eyes</i>	U. & H. Herrmann	3
	<i>Cym. Tricia Allen 'Black Eyes'</i>	H. Gerber	2
	<i>Cym. Trio Guare</i>	H. Gerber	1
Mini. Cymbidium	<i>Cym. Sarah Jean x Borough's Green</i>	D. & J. Higgs	3
	<i>Cym. Showgirl x Sarah Jean</i>	H. Gerber	2
	<i>Cym. Bedivere x Sensation</i>	P. & G. Flavel	1
Std. Cattleya	<i>Pot. Goldernell</i>	C. & H. Edwards	3
	<i>Bc. Pastoral 'Innocence'</i>	D. & J. Higgs	2
Nov. Cluster Cattleya	<i>Lc. Happy Valley</i>	P. & G. Flavel	3
	<i>Lc. Trick or Treat x leopoldii</i>	M. Tiggeman	2
Nov. Cattleya	<i>Sl. Psyche</i>	P. & G. Flavel	3
Cocktail Cattleya	<i>Lc. Mini Purple 'Tamami'</i>	P. & G. Flavel	3
	<i>Slc. Hazel Boyd</i>	P. & G. Flavel	2
Dendrobium	<i>Den. Yukidaruma 'King'</i>	D. & J. Higgs	3
Std. Paphiopedilum	<i>Paph. Gigi x Redstart</i>	D. Biebrick	3
	<i>Paph. Winston Churchill x Small World</i>	D. Biebrick	2
	<i>Paph. Battle of Egypt x Small World</i>	D. Biebrick	1
Nov. Paphiopedilum	<i>Paph. Phnom Penh</i>	U. & H. Herrmann	3
	<i>Paph. praestans x primulinum</i>	U. & H. Herrmann	2
Species Paphiopedilum	<i>Paph. wolterianum</i>	U. & H. Herrmann	3
	<i>Paph. wardii</i>	D. Biebrick	2
	<i>Paph. venustum</i>	U. & H. Herrmann	1
Odont/Onc. Alliance	<i>Onc. Milky Way</i>	M. Tiggeman	3
Zygopetalum	<i>Z. Advance Australia</i>	R. Moore	3
	<i>Z. Titanic</i>	H. Gerber	2
Note registered name	<i>Z. Syd Monkhouse</i>	M. Tiggeman	1
Miscellaneous	<i>Epi. Edith Arakawa</i>	M. Tiggeman	3
Best Seedling	<i>Paph. wolterianum x self</i>	U. & H. Herrmann	

FLOWER OF THE DIVISION & OF THE NIGHT: *Dendrobium speciosum* grown by Helmuth Gerber