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1991:

Congratulations to all who exhibited in our Winter Show. Well done.

NEXT MEETING:

Tuesday 13th August 1991

Lutheran Church Hall, Windsong Crt, Morphett Vale

Benching of plants to be completed by 7.45pm

for judging.

Meeting begins at 8.00pm.

GUEST SPEAKER:

Mr Darcy Bloomfield from New South Wales will address the Meeting. The crux of his talk will involve Orchids in flask & the method of deflasking & planting out of plantlets & the ongoing task of growing them on, using the various new products & the method of adapting their usages for successful growing. (Darcy has indicated that he intends to

Auction a peanut so be prepared)

SUPPER:

Mrs Trix Anderson will be in charge. Please bring

your contribution ...

HALL SET-UP:

Would all willing to assist please arrive by 7pm.

DAY-TIME CHAPTER:

2pm. Thursday 15th August 1991, South Brighton Community Hall, Dover Square Reserve, Broadway,

South Brighton.

Dr K. H. Northcote will talk about his recent Orchid

Safari from Sydney to the Gold Coast.

COMMITTEE MEETING:

Tuesday 20th August 1991, 7.30pm at the South

Brighton Community Hall.

STOP PRESS PLEASE NOTE STOP PRESS PLEASE NOTE

Due to circumstances beyond our control the SPRING SHOW will now be held at the MARION RECREATION CENTRE. Set-up will be on Friday the 27th September, take out on Sunday 29th September. Please consider floor or tabletop displays & discuss your requirements with the Show Marshall, Ray Goodall as soon as possible.

DAYTIME CHAPTER by K.H. Northcote

Our visit to Kenna Orchids became a very happy adventure (some folk became confused geographically speaking, but eventually found Kenna Orchids). Rosalie Moore treated us to a most interesting afternoon telling us about the beginnings of Kenna Orchids and about the interesting range of grown. We were all genera impressed by the way every inch of the backyard had been pressed into service - the service of growing orchids. Members agreed that now they knew where to find Kenna, they would be back. Thank Rosalie.

It was also very good to see members who had not been able to attend meetings for sometime, mainly due to illness. Stay fit!

JUDGES' ROSTER AUGUST MEETING

Leaders Open Div. R. Pankoke First Div. B. Bower Second Div. J. Gay

Please advise K. Northcote if unavailable. Meet at Judges' table no later than 7-50pm.

South Coast Judges to set-up benches by 7-30pm and assist leaders.

Trestle tables required for benching plants only are a minimum of 2 for 2nd Div., 3 for 1st Div., and 4 for Open Div. Some months e.g. during the Spring months. more than the minimum are likely to be required.

VIRUS AND DISEASE H.Edwards

Several of our Members have asked about information on the above subjects. The committee is endeavouring to obtain a slide programme and if or when it can be obtained you will be advised. IF you have any other requests please do not hesitate to ask a committee member and we will do our best to assist.

BASIC CYMBIDIUM CULTURE by Thoral Tormet Cont.

Plants in spike The average time from when the spike is first seen until flowers appear is 10 weeks. Spikes need to be trained to achieve the best possible flowering. If the tiny spike comes out horizontally, by careful placement of a plant label and gradual adjustment, it can be encouraged to grow upright. All spike training must be gradual and very gentle as spikes are very brittle. Never handle a spike in the early morning or on a cold winter day. It will be more pliable after it has warmed up a little, so leave it till the warmest part of the day

sterile stake should be carefully inserted into the compost at the desired angle. When is long enough, the spike should be tied loosely with a figure 8. Place the pot so that the spike faces the light. As the grows, adjust ties. When spike buds appear, place the plant under cover so that the rain & hail do not mark it as tiny marks on the bud will be much larger on the opened flower. When watering do not get water on the bud as it will mark also. Strong winds may brush the leaves against the bud, marking it, so it may pay to tie the leaves loosely away from the spike. If necessary, use insecticide or fungicide dust instead of a spray. As not all spikes are rigidly vertical- some are naturally arching or pendulous, know which type plant is. For judging, do not tie above the bottom flower. Leave any manipulation until the last week before the flower opens when the pedicels (or flower stalks) are most pliable. Precautions need to be taken against snails, slugs & red spider, aphids & thrip. Birds enjoy the honeydew which some buds exude & their claws can damage flowers. Wash the honeydew off with a very fine mist spray.

FLOWERING

Correct light is very important for colour. Too much sun in the bud stage will leave brown streaks along the back of the sepals and looks particularly unattractive for green and white flowers, they must be shaded as soon as the buds leave the sheath but the plant still sunlight. Shade the spike with newspaper draped over a stake. Whites will probably open a soft green, but a little more light will fade this to white. Pinks, reds, browns and strong yellows have their colour deepened and strengthened by strong sunlight, but once open, place in shaded position so colour is not faded by the sun.

PESTS

Red spider mite is one of the worst pests. Although it is too small to be easily seen, its presence is evident by the silvering underneath the leaves. Kelthane, Rogor or Malathion used alternately about every seven days will control it and stop the build up of resistance to one spray. Kelthane combined with Benlate is used as a preventative spray.

Other pests include thrip, aphids, caterpillars, slaters, earwigs, grasshoppers, mealybug, snails, and slugs. Once again I refer you to Australian Orchid Growing.

DISEASES

These can be fungal or viral. They are best prevented by strict cleanliness and good air circulation.

Fungus

Fungal outbreaks can be trated with Captan, Zineb, Maneb, Rovral or Fongarid. As a preventative, once a month spray with Benlate (combined with Kelthane) during Spring and Summer months. If

fungus persists, Fongarid should be used.

Leaftip die back (Anthracnose) - is fairly common in South Australia. It attacks plants under stress from any of the following:

red spider mite
a build up of salts in the
potting mix
excessive humidity
high temperatures
insufficient light

The effects or causes of these should be either minimised or eliminated. Affected parts of leaves should be removed and destroyed as these can carry disease to other plants. A long lasting fungicide should be used. Water plants in the morning so they dry out more quickly before night.

VIRUS

THERE IS NO CURE. Isolate plants suspected of being infected and take leaf wrapped in plastic to an expert for identification. Sometimes plants with root or fertilising problems can produce leaves with suspicious markings, so expert advice should be sought. If it is confirmed that it is virus, the plant, pot, label, and all should be burned. Do not give it away.

POTTING

The usual time to pot is in the spring immediately after the plant has flowered. April is quite a good time, particularly for reds and greens. Plants should not be left in the same compost for more than 3 years as it will have broken down by then and the roots will not be able to breathe. If the plant outgrows its pot before 3 years, repot when it needs it. It will be easier if the plant is on the dry side.

It is not the frightening event newer growers imagine it to be but the following points should be observed:

Scrupulous cleaniness must be observed and all tools should be sterilised before touching another plant. This can be achieved by using one of the following:

- a naked flame
- strong White King solution
 - Methylated Spirits

Cut off the bottom third of the roots when necessary, as if they were a loaf of bread

Get rid of all the old

compost and damaged roots

Dust with sulphur powder before placing the plant in a clean pot

Do Not overpot

Tap the compost down into the pot so that the plant is held firmly but not too deeply in the compost

If potting on,

- get rid of all old compost
- fill the pot with new compost

If dividing

- break the plant up so that there are no less than 3 or 4 green bulbs in a piece
- remove old back bulbs (those without leaves)-can leave l if it would otherwise mean having to break the plant into pieces that are too small
- . clean up the back bulbs
- plant to almost half their depth in a smaller pot of compost
- label each pot and write date of potting on the back of the label
- keep dry for several days after potting
- place in a shadier spot until new growth appears

POTS

Soft black plastic pots with a domed bottom and good drainage holes and fairly upright sides are the best ones to use. They can be re-used after they have been thoroughly washed and disinfected in a strong white king solution. Never use plastic and clay pots together.

JULY 1991 MONTHLY COMPETITION FLOWER OF THE MONTH

PAPHIOPEDILUM insigne grown by DENLIA ORCHIDS

This magnificent specimen plant had approximately 24 clean, glistening, blooms arranged around the pot. It was a credit to the grower and would be a worthy addition to anyones collection.

SECOND	DIVISION	0	B. Bower H. Edwards	
Aust.Native Epi:Species	s Den. bigibbum		M. Cunningham	3
Aust.Native Epi:Hybrid	Den. Kingianum	X Kuringai	B. & R. Nurse	3
Aust.Native Terr:Specie	es Ptst. nana		J. Attenborough	3
Aust.Native Terr:Hybrid	Ptst. Nodding Ptst. Nodding Ptst. Nodding	Grace	J. Attenborough J. Attenborough J. Kelly	3 2 1
Standard Cymbidium	Arcadian Sunri Yowie Flame X Red Adair	Valley Knig	N. Wolfendale ht M. Norton N. Wolfendale	3 2 1

Intermediate Cymbidium	Tricia Allen pumilum 'Tetsugetses' X Marian Lenfestey	J. & M. Cummingham L. Gunn	3 2
	Marroong 'Chieftain'	N. Gitsham	1
Miniature Cymbidium	Embers 'Yowie Bay ' Pumisan 'Cooksbridge' Alice Williams 'Camden'	J. Siviour D.& I Attenborough J. & M. Cunningham	3 2 1
Standard Cattleya	Blc. Mem. Helen Brown. X Blc. Ports of Paradise	R. & B. Wilson	2
Nov. Cluster Cattleya	C. Portia X C. Chocolate Drop	N. Wolfendale	3
Cocktail Cattleya	Slc. Hazel Boyd X Slc. Kauai Starbright	N. Wolfendale	3
Miscellaneous	Z. B.G. White X Titanic	B. Woods	3
Species	Cym. grandiflorum Z. mackayi	A. Thompson	3 2
*******	Lemboglossum bictoniense	**********	***
	CYMBIDIUM ARCADIAN SUNRIS **************		
FIRST	DIVISION Judges	R. Pankoke B. Wyly R. Moore	
Aust.Native Epi:Species	Den. linguiforme Den. teretifolium	J. & B. Gay J. & B. Gay	3
Aust.Native Epi:Hybrid	Den. Aussie Child Den. Hilda Poxon Den. Hilda Poxon	J. & B. Gay J. & B. Gay D. Biebrick	3 2 1
Standard Cymbidium	Via Princess Solana Kurun X Lustrous	K. & L. Larsen K. & L. Larsen	3
Intermediate Cymbidium	Winter Fire Chocolate Gem X Greenoaks Gem	W. & M. Vaughan W. & M. Vaughan	3 2
Standard Cattleya	Blc. Meditation	C. Amee	3
Novelty Cattleya	C. schroederae X Cherry (Chips C.& H. Edwards	3
Nov. Cluster Cattleya	Unknown Lc. Trick or Treat X C. leopoldii	J. Lewis J. Lewis	3 2
Cocktail Cattleya	Slc. Hazel Boyd 'Redstone Slc. Hazel Boyd 'Sunset' Slc. Tangerine Jewel X C. Penny Kuroda	e' C. Amee C. Amee C. Amee	3 2 1

Dendrobium	Aran Princess	W. Barrett 3		
Miscellaneous	Z. Titanic 'Hove'	K. & L. Larsen 3		
Standard Paphiopedilum	Beaute X Winston Churchi	11 D. Biebrick 3		
Novelty Paphiopedilum	Herbert Fouraker fairieanum X Enchantress fairieanum X Enchantress	D. Biebrick 2		
Species Paphiopedilum	wardii glaucophyllum spicerianum	J. & B. Gay 3 D. Biebrick 2 D. Biebrick 1		
Odont/Oncidium Alliance	McIna. Pagan Lovesong McIna. Pagan Lovesong Wils. Shirley Monkhouse	K. & L. Larsen 2		
Species				
OPEN	DIVISION Judges	J. Gay S. Monkhouse B. Carpenter		
Aust.Native Terr:Hybrid	Ptst Nodding Grace	R. Moore 3		
Standard Cymbidium	Via Rincon 'Pink Lady' Tracy Redaway 'Marie' Solano Beach	Denlia Orchids 3 J. Nicholls 2 J. Nicholls 1		
Intermediate Cymbidium	Melanie 'Golden Girl' Gowling's Gem pumilum X Tongariro	Denlia Orchids 3 Denlia Orchids 2 J. Nicholls 1		
Miniature Cymbidium	Pendragon X Mimi Delores Hoyt X Tom Thumb Olymilum 'White Elf'	Denlia Orchids 3 J. Nicholls 2 K. Northcote 1		
Standard Cattleya	Blc. Malworth 'Orchidgla Blc. Mem. Crispin Rosale C. loddigesii 'Bella Ros	s X B.Wyly 2		
Cluster Cattleya	C. Portia	R. Moore 3		
Novelty Cattleya	Blc Golden Delicious X Bc. Leprechaun Legend Blc. Pokai Tangerine 'Le Lc. Kindee X Lc. Aussie	a' B. Wyly 2		
Nov. Cluster Cattleya	C. Louise Georgiana X C. aurantiaca S1. Jinn 'Ron'	R. Moore 3 B. Wyly 2		
Cocktail Cattleya	Slc. Orglades Early Harv	est T. DeIonno 3		

Dendrobium	strebloceras X dicuphum cochliodes X johannis	T. Delonno 3 B. Wyly 2			
Miscellaneous	Doritis Rosea 'Royalty' Z. crinitum Z. B.G. White	R. Moore 3 R. Moore 2 R. Moore 1			
Standard Paphiopedilum	Lohengrin 'Kermit' Diny Sable Cockade 'Chilton'	B. Wyly 3 T. DeIonno 2 B. Wyly 1			
Novelty Paphiopedilum	Maudiae X venustum	R. Moore 3			
Species Paphiopedilum	insigne venustum appletonianum	Denlia Orchids 3 R. Moore 2 J. Nicholls 1			
Odont/Oncidium Alliance	Odm. Harryanum X Oda. Mentore Unknown Purple Star Odont. Tiger Butter X Moselle	R. Moore 3 R. Moore 2 J. Nicholls 1			
Species	Pleurothallis longissima Phal. lueddemanniana Calanthe veitchii				
Cattleya & Allied Genera	Ctna. Why Not 'Roundabou C. Penny Kuroda 'Spots' Ctna. Keith Roth				
Vandaceous	V. Josephine Van Brero X V.Gordon Dillon				

WINTER SHOW RESULTS 1991 GRAND CHAMPION W.A. YOUNG TROPHY SASH/GOLD MEDALLION PAPHIOPEDILUM BERENICE 'NELSON' grown by H.& T. TORMET Open Div. RESERVE CHAMPION SASH/SILVER MEDALLION McIna PAGAN LOVESONG 'RUBY CHARLES' grown by R. Moore Open Div. Champion Open Division Paph. Berenice 'Nelson' H.& T.Tormet Champion 1st Division Paph. Regal World J.& B.Gay Champion 2nd Division Paph. Regal World J.& B.Gay Champion Standard Cymbidium Arcadian Sunrise R.Moore Champion Inter. Cymbidium Arcadian Sunrise R.Moore Champion Miniature Cymbidium Ruby Eyes 'Red Baron' A. Proepster Champion Paphiopedilum Berenice 'Nelson' H.& T.Tormet Champion Odont/Onc McIna Pagan Lovesong R. Moore Champion Phalaenopsis Malibu Parade 'Harcourt' H.& T.Tormet Champion Cattleya Blc.Pamela Hetherington N.& J. Wolfendale Champion Dendrobium Jaipongan W.J & S. Nicholls Champion Gen Not Yet Listed Z. B.G.White W.& M.Vaughan Champion Species Dendrochilum filiforme W.J & S.Nicholls Champion Seedling Cym Arunta X Greenacres A.Proepster					