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NEXT MEETING:

Tuesday May 8th, 1990.
Lutheran Church Hall, Windsong Court, C. Downs.
Benching to be completed prior to 7.45pm for
judging. No plants accepted after this time.
Meeting to commence 8.00 pm.

Autumn Show

This will be our third Autumn Show. Let's make it
best to date. The Club will be awarding medallions
and sashes for Grand & Reserve Champions along with
First and Second Prize Cards, but no cash prizes.
So bring in your plantss, you may have the Grand
Champion.

GUEST SPEAKER:

For this meeting - Harry Lambert
"Cymbidium Chocolada and it's breeding."
- This is one of the most successful Cym. hybrids
registered during the 1980's.

For our June meeting - Bruce Mules will talk on
"Australian Native Orchids".

DAY TIME CHAPTER: Please refer to Keith's notes in the Gazette

SUPPER ROSTER: Mrs Trix Anderson

HALL ROSTER: All willing to assist please arrive at 7 pm.

TRADING TABLE
ROSTER: Mr Dennis Daykin.

COMMITTEE MTG: Tuesday May 15th, 1990, 7.30 pm
At the South Brighton Community Hall

MONTHLY TRADING TABLE

Mr. Dennis Daykin asks all members with plants for sale to please attach a label to each plant showing its name, colour, flowering time and whether it grows cold or requires some warmth. This is particularly important for cattleyas and allied genera.

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MEMBERSHIP FEES

All membership fees for 1990 should be paid promptly. The single fee is \$15.00 a double is \$20.00 and junior fee is \$5.00.

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DAYTIME CHAPTER

On Thursday afternoon April 12th Mr. Reg Shooter spoke about those honey scented beauties of the Australian Bush, the Australian Native Dendrobiums, that will bring a true bush fragrance into your shadehouse. In one of the most informative talks that I have heard on this subject, Reg spoke of orchids freely available to all, and illustrated his plants with slides of the species and their hybrids.

He discussed *Den. speciosum*, *Den. bingianum*, *Den. tetragonum*, *Den. falcorostrum*, *Den. cuppianum* and their hybrids in particular and answered many questions that spilled over into the social cuppa time that followed.

The next meeting on Thursday May 10th will be a talk by Mr. Frank Tucker on "Indonesian West New Guinea" illustrated by slides including orchids. This talk will begin sharp at 2 p.m. as Mr. Tucker has to leave by 3 p.m. Please note that our speaker will be the first item on the agenda for this meeting.

Thursday May 10th 1990 2 p.m. sharp South Brighton Community Hall.

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Judging for Awards, Shows and Meetings.

A review of Brenda Lynch's talk from the April meeting.

In 1960 the Australian Orchid Council was formed with representatives from the 6 States, with Northern Territory included in with South Australia. One of the Council's main objectives was, and still is, quote; 'to work for a uniform standard of judging and judges throughout the State Authorities'.

They issued a 'Handbook for Judging the Principal Orchid Genera in Australia'. Over the years it has been revised many times, and is in constant review. As growers learn more about the biology and taxonomy of orchids, and as the hybridist changes the shape and colours of these orchids, so the criteria for judging them needs to be changed also. These changes must be agreed upon by the majority of the State members of the A.O.C., before any alterations can be made.

The Standards contained in the Judging Handbook are for Awards, to indicate the standard of excellence in the genus of the award plant.

Awards are: F C C - First Class Certificate
 A M - Award of Merit
 H C C - Highly Commended Certificate
 A D - Award of Distinction
 C B M - Certificate of Botanical Merit
 and a Special Recognition Award

Most major genera are covered by the Judging Standards, and can be judged by pointing up certain characteristics, or judged by appreciation. Native Epiphyte Orchids, may be judged by appreciation, and not pointed up.

When pointing up, in order to qualify for an FCC, AM or HCC, a plant must meet the following criteria:-

The average of the total points allocated
must be not less than:- 85 out of 100 for FCC
 80 out of 100 for AM
 75 out of 100 for HCC

Points are allocated for shape, colour and attractiveness, size, substance (means quality of firmness) and texture, (means the desirable features of a flower's surface which enhance its appearance), floriferousness, and the habit of inflorescence, arrangement and stem, and in miniature and intermediate cymbidiums, general appearance and charm.

There are rules for uniform judging, and if in the opinion of the judges, any or some of these rules are not adhered to, then the plant will be ruled ineligible for judging. The appearance of a plant is most important. The leaves should be clean and trimmed (not excessively), the inflorescences properly staked, the pot cleaned (no salt build-up showing), the plant clearly labelled with registered or generic name (if species) and parentage if possible. This applies to plants presented for Award Judging as well as for Shows and Meetings.

The plant should be free from disease (look for virus, scale etc.).

The flower or flower spikes should be held well clear of the foliage. At least 66% of the flowers must be fully open, provided this rule does not affect any minimum provided by the Judging Standards (e.g Lycaste, or if it is the habit of a plant not to have all flowers open at the same time e.g progresssive flowering paphiopedilums). All flowers and buds on the inflorescence being judged shall be free from malformation and disease, and free from blemish and injury.

Unless othwise stated in the Handbook, judging for an award other than an A D, if the plant has more than one flower, then the flower with the best general appearance shall be selected for measurement of size, and determination of shape, colour, substance and texture, provided the other flowers are of a relatively even and comparable standard. The stem on which this flower occurs, shall be judged for habit and arrangement of the inflorescence.

Inflorescences with pollinated flowers are not eligible for awards (they may be judged at Monthly Meetings). However plants may at the discretion of the Judging Panel be judged for awards, provided the

inflorescence with the pollinated flower or flowers, is not the inflorescence being judged.

Staking and tying is permitted, but should be done sensibly, and not detract from the plants appearance. The judging panel has the right to remove any staking, and/or tie if necessary, in order to ascertain the strength of the flower spike. Any inflorescence being judged, from which a bud or flower has been removed or is missing, will be disqualified from judging, unless the removal or loss happened during transport, and the detached bud or flower is presented with the plant, (this applies to Shows and Meetings also) or unless the flower has been removed for Award recognition.

The measurement of the size of the flower is across the visible limits of the petals, (without any manipulation) except for certain genera e.g. Lycaste - the length of the sepals, Oncidium - the widest visible horizontal dimension, and Paphiopedilum - the dorsal sepal. The shape should be characteristic of the genus, if a species, and for hybrids, mainly filled in and circular in outline.

Colour should be clean, glistening and fresh. Each of the Principal Genera has rules covering its own particular characteristics, but basically the same criteria applies to all.

When Judging for Shows and Meetings, the rules can be relaxed a little, judging then is never by the points system, always by appreciation, then one plant is competing against others. Even though there may be on occasions, only one plant in a particular section on the Bench, that plant should still meet certain criteria, and not automatically be awarded first place. The Judges will look for any obvious faults in the blooms, such as spots and blemishes, insect bites or malformed flowers.

The flowers should be presented as to be shown at their best, and although leaves should be trimmed, excessive trimming of leaves is not encouraged. Missing flowers from multiple flowering inflorescences are noted:- for an award this is not allowed, for shows not desirable and for meetings, will be tolerated, if the rest of the inflorescence is of an acceptable standard.

The Handbook provides the basis for all judging, and it is up to the Judges to familiarize themselves with its contents, and to administer the rules in a commonsense way, and to be flexible in the application of them.

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APRIL 1990 MONTHLY COMPETITION.

DIVISION: OPEN

JUDGE R. PANKOKE
assisted by H. EDWARDS

Intermediate Cymbidium	Summer Pearl	J Nicholls	3
	Valentines Love 'Angela'	K Northcote	2
	Sue 'Aalsmeer Emerald'	R & B Anderson	1
Mini.Cymbidium	Peter Pan 'Greensleeves'x	R Moore	3
	C.madidum		
Standard Cattleya	LC Bonanza 'Kwei Jen'	B Wyly	3
	BRC Toshie Aoki 'Pokai'	T. DeIonno	2
	LC Amberglow 'Magnificent'	R.Moore	1

Cluster Cattleya	C. Portia	R. Moore	3
Novelty Cattleya	C Minerva 'Easter Bouquet'	K. Northcote	3
	C Brabantiae x C. Penny Kuroda	J. Nicholls	2
	C Portia 'Cannizaro x C. Chocolate Drop	R & B Anderson	1
Nov. Cluster Cattleya	C Minerva 'Highercombe'	Guest Orchids	3
	C Kew	J. Nicholls	2
	Browniae 'Riga'	R. Moore	1
Cocktail Cattleya	Slc Orlades Early Harvest 'Magic'	T DeIonno	3
	Slc California Apricot	T. DeIonno	2
	Slc Tangerine Imp	B. Wyly	1
Vanda	Asco Yip Sum Wah	J. Nicholls	3
	Zygo Titanic Pinafore	R. Moore	2
	V. Josephine van Brerov T.M.A	K & B Lynch	1
Nov. Paphiopedilum	Paph. Neeri-glow	R. Moore	3
Odont/Onc Alliance	Onc Kaivlani	K & B Lynch	3
Species	Den <i>gouldii</i>	J. Nicholls	3
	B <i>longissima</i>	B. Wyly	2
	Enc <i>cochleata</i>	B. Wyly	1
Catt Allied Genera	Epicat Joseph Roman's	R & B Anderson	3
	Ctna Hunabu Fairly Flare	R. Moore	2
Flower of Division	- C Minerva 'Highercombe' Grown by Guest Orchids.		
DIVISION : FIRST		JUDGE	W. FARQUHAR
		assisted by R. MOORE	
Aust. Native Epi. Sp.	Den <i>oberonia titania</i>	J. Lewis	3
	Den <i>bigibbum van compactum</i>	J & B Gay	2
Aust. Nat. Epi Hybrid	Den Hilda Poxon	D. Biebrick	3
	Den <i>tetragonum</i> x Debbie McFarlane	C & H Edwards	2
Inter. Cymbidium	Valentine's Love 'Leanne'	V. Rodgers	3
Mini Cymbidium	Pat Ann 'Pipsqueak'	J. Lewis	3
Standard Cattleya	Lc Cynthia 'Model'	C & H Edwards	3
	Lc Royal Emperor 'Wade'	C Ameer	2
	Lc Aquil Finn 'Splish Splash'	C Ameer	1
Cluster Cattleya	C Browniae	C & H Edwards	3
	C Minerva 'Highercombe'	H H Pankoke	2
	C Minerva 'Highercombe'	D Biebrick	1
Nov. Cattleya	Slc Wendy's Valentine 'June'	C Ameer	3
Nov. Cluster Cattleya	C Fitz Eugene Dixon 'Paradise'	C & H Edwards	3

Dendrobium	Den Aran Princess	W Barrett	3
	Den Norma Jackson	W. Barrett	2
Misc.	Mtssa. Charles M Fitch	R. Parish	3
	Milt <i>regnellii</i> x		
	Milt Tropic Dawn	J & B Gay	2
	Mtad. Orange Sherbet	J & B Gay	1
Phalaenopsis	Ruffle x Antarctic	R & I Goodall	3
Std. Paph.	Paph. Gigi x Redstart	R & I Goodall	3
Nov. Paph.	Paph. Alum	D Biebrick	3
Species Paph.	Paph. <i>moquetteanum</i>	R Parish	3
	Paph. <i>glaucophyllum</i>	D Biebrick	2
	Paph. <i>niveum</i>	D & T Howard	1
Species	Paph. <i>hieroglyphica</i>	J & B Gay	3
	B. <i>flagellaris</i>	W & R Barrett	2

Flower of Division - Den. Aran Princess Grown by W Barrett

DIVISION : SECOND

JUDGE J. GAY
assisted by B. WYLY

Aust. Native Epi. Sp	Den. <i>biggibum</i>	Mr & Mrs Reid	3
Aust. Native Ter Hyb	Ptst. <i>Fischii</i>	N Gitsham	3
Intermed. Cymbidium	Mini Verd	M Cunningham	3
Std. Cattleya	Bc. Mt Anderson	R Wilson	3
	Bc. Estelle 'Alba' x		
	C. Mrs Myra Peters	N Andrew	2
	Blc. Mem Crispin Rosales		
	'Ruan Yuan	R Wilson	1
Nov. Cluster Catt.	C. Melodboa 'Pink Lips'	D&I Attenborough	3
Novelty Cattleya	C. Minerva 'Highercombe'	J Kelly	3
	C. Minerva 'Easter Bonnet'	R Wilson	2
	C. Minerva 'Highercombe'	R Wilson	1
Odont./Oncidium	Odcdm. Tiger Butter x		
Alliance	Odm. Moselle	T Brady	3
Species	Onc. <i>papilio</i>	T Brady	3
	Zygo. <i>mackayi</i>	J&D Coulter	2
Flower of Division	- Onc. <i>papilio</i>	Grown by T. Brady	

REGISTRAR'S CHOICE FOR FLOWER OF THE MONTH

- C. Minerva 'Highercombe' Grown by Guest Orchids