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# The South Coast Orchid Club Inc. Gazette

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**THE NEXT MEETING** of the South Coast Orchid Club will be held at 8 pm on March 13 2001 at the Calvary Lutheran Church Windsong Court Morphett Vale.

**THE GUEST SPEAKER:** Peter Chiles

"What is the AOC" & "Cymbidiums" - see page 2

**DAYTIME GROUP** will meet at 2.00 pm. Thursday 15 March at the South Brighton Community Hall, Dover Square , Broadway, South Brighton.

**VALE RAY GOODALL** The Club would like to pay a tribute to Ray Goodall, A life member who passed away in early February. He was a hard working member and served on the Committee for a number of years and was Show Marshall for some time. Ray was also a successful grower and exhibited Paphs and his beloved Phals. Our sympathies go to his wife Irene.

We are very sad to report the death of Tony Delonno's wife Joyce, also in early February. Our deepest sympathies are with Tony and his Family at this time.

**TO MOVE OR NOT TO MOVE** - see page 6

**SUBSCRIPTIONS** Members please note, this will be your last Gazette if your 2001 Membership subscriptions remain unpaid past the 15 March. - renewal slip page 7

**Have an opinion or something to say**

contact the Editor

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### **Speakers for 2001**

April 10th : "Preparing your orchids for Shows"  
by combined speakers to be confirmed.

May 8th : "Tools of the Trade"  
by Smoult Tools.

June 12th : "Latest Aussie Dendrobium Trends"  
by Noel Oliver.

July 10th : Yet to be confirmed.

August 14th: "Aussie Terrestrials"  
by Les Nesbitt.

September 11th: "Orchid Shows Around the World"  
by Stephen Monkhouse

October 9th : "Cool Growing Orchids"  
by Barry Bailey"

November 13th : "Species Orchids"  
by Ron Parish.

December 11th: Yet to be confirmed.

### **Diary Dates for 2001**

We hope to have a number of dates for events  
throughout 2001 in the next Gazette  
Shows are expected to be -

Autumn Show - May

S.A.R.O. Winter Fair 9/10 June  
At YMCA Walkerville

Winter Show - July

Spring Show - September

The last day for acceptance by the Editor of the Gazette for any article or information offered for inclusion in the Gazette is fifteen (15) days prior to the next monthly meeting in which the article or information is pertinent .

### **Peter Chiles... cymbidium enthusiast!! This months Speaker.**

The cymbidium bug bit in 1972 and I've been hooked ever since.

I had looked over the orchids at the Royal Show and something urged me to purchase my first few plants... Father's Day, a week or so after the Royal Show seemed a fairly good excuse as it was my first year as a dad.

By Christmas I had a new shade house 18 feet square with about half a dozen plants in it. They were very lonely but that was soon fixed as my collection grew. I was fascinated with the way that orchids were grown from seed. The then new mericlone process and the use of colchicine to produce tetraploid plants was also quite exciting to me and inside two years I was doing my own flasking, mericlone and colchicine treatments in our own kitchen... you could try it too!

During 1975 we moved to a two-acre property on the eastern outskirts of Gawler with a view to producing cymbidiums commercially. I have since focused on the hobby and retail marketing of our plants from our own nursery and we try to maintain a large display of plants from June to October each year.

Over the ensuing years I have come to realise that the most important plants for us in South Australia are those that grow and flower very easily here in SA as well as being attractive in form and colour... this is a very big ask and I believe that only one or two plants fit these exacting requirements in every 10,000 new seedlings flowered.

REMEMBER I WILL HAVE SOME SUPER BARGAINS FOR YOU TO PURCHASE ON THE NIGHT !!!!!

### **A message from your new President...**

This is my first epistle as President and also for 2001.

I wish to focus on a couple of items -

During my nine years as a member of your Club I have been concerned about Membership growth, it has remained generally static, some years with minor growth and some with losses. I believe that to become a better, stronger Club we need to attain about a 10% growth each year. One way in the short term to achieve this is for current Members to introduce friends and acquaintances to our fold.

Other suggestions are

"Bring a friend night"

"Actively promote new membership through shows and member contact"

"Advertising in local papers etc."

If you have any suggestions or recommendations of your own please ring me on 82763771

We as a group promote membership at our shows with limited results because we do not promote ourselves with a strong image...

We need to broaden our horizons into a wider area than we now cover. Perhaps another way is to share your Gazette with friends or potential members to hopefully awaken their enthusiasm for orchids.

When we look at our monthly floral competitions we see only one or two members showing in the lower divisions and especially second division. We have no new members to build these divisions up.

Another point I would like to touch on is the Autumn show. You should have noticed that the colour and growth of plants is changing with the few cooler nights we have had recently. Spikes are starting to emerge so grooming of your plants for the show needs to commence by initial marking, tying of spikes and general grooming of leaf tips, controlling insects etc.

Good growing

M T Baulderstone

President

### Daytime Meeting Report

21 members and visitors met to hear Pat Harmer speak at the Daytime Meeting where she gave a very interesting talk on cool growing orchids and the way they (The Harmers) grow them. The talk and the slides, which were shown by Dave Harmer, showed the wide variety of orchids that can be grown without heating or cooling – a most impressive selection.

In the future we are going to have a short question and answer segment at each meeting, as well as a guest speaker. Members can bring along problem plants or leaves etc. and any questions they may have regarding orchid culture and growing.

The trading table was well stocked by Bill Fisher, with very reasonably priced orchids and all the proceeds from the sales were donated to the club – thank you Bill. The meeting closed with the usual cup of tea or coffee and a chat.

 Australasian Native Orchid Society  
<http://www.ozemail.com.au/~graemebr/>

 The Orchid Weblopedia  
<http://conbio.bio.uci.edu/orchid/>

 Orchids.Net - The Site for Orchids  
<http://www.orchids.net/>

 The Orchid Garden  
<http://fly.hiwaay.net/~rjmartin/Orchids.html>

 BOTANA, the Orchids ReSource homepage  
<http://www.botana.com/tors.html>

 Orchid, an Encarta Encyclopedia Article Titled Orchid  
<http://encarta.msn.com/find/Concise.asp?ti=040DB000>

 Asian Species Orchids from Vietnam  
<http://www.vietnamonline.com/orchids/>

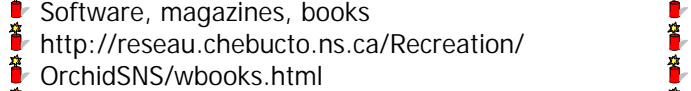
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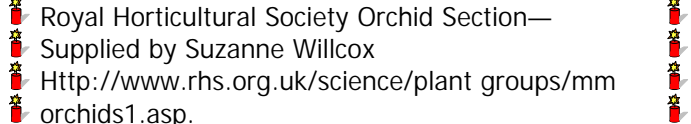
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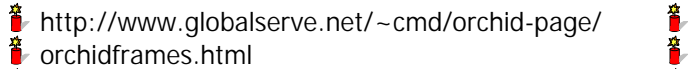
 Orchids species of Indonesia, including Paphiopedilum, Phalaenopsis and Dendrobium  
<http://www.geocities.com/RainForest/Vines/9686/>

 Australasian Epiphytic and Lithophytic Orchids  
<http://www-personal.une.edu.au/~mgray2/epiphyte.htm>

 Orchid Books from the AOS  
<http://www.orchidweb.org/bookstore/>

 Software, magazines, books  
<http://reseau.chebucto.ns.ca/Recreation/OrchidSNS/wbooks.html>

 Royal Horticultural Society Orchid Section—Supplied by Suzanne Willcox  
[http://www.rhs.org.uk/science/plant\\_groups/mmorchids1.asp](http://www.rhs.org.uk/science/plant_groups/mmorchids1.asp)

 <http://www.globalserve.net/~cmd/orchid-page/orchidframes.html>

 [http://directory.netscape.com/Science/Biology/Taxonomy/Taxonomy\\_Map/Plantae/Magnoliophyta/Liliopsida/Orchidaceae](http://directory.netscape.com/Science/Biology/Taxonomy/Taxonomy_Map/Plantae/Magnoliophyta/Liliopsida/Orchidaceae)

Last year I was required to visit Mt Gambier twice, once for business and again on the way to relatives near Warnambool.

On the second visit I had the opportunity to stay with Jim Shaughnessy . On one day Jim took us out Orchid hunting in and around the Mount. We saw many varieties of native ground orchid and I thought that members might like to share in some photos of the many orchids of this area.

Kind thanks to members of NOSA who helped in later identifying many of these plants.  
Ron Parish



*Caldenia arenaria*



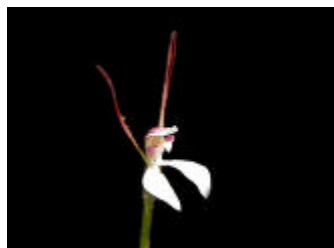
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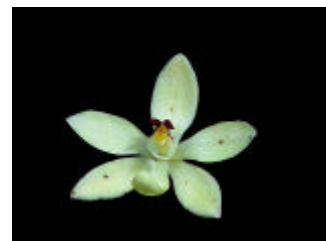
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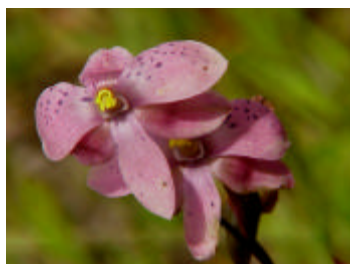
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*Leptoceras Menziesii*



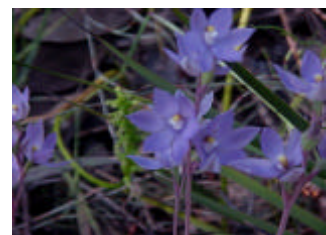
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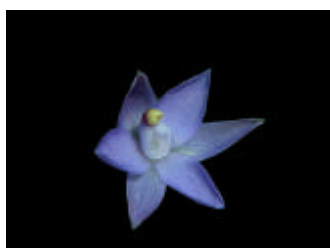
*Thelymitra irregularis*



*Thelymitra juncifolia*



*Thelymitra mucida*



*Thelymitra pauciflora*



*Thelymitra rubra*



*Glosodia major*

## FEBRUARY FLORAL COMPETITION RESULTS

A small but interesting benching this month covering a wide range of genera for this time of the year. Macolm Tiggeman bought in, for us to view, a *Spathoglottis* Othello which he purchased recently from Bunnings. This had a considerable number of beautiful 1" (sorry—25mm) pink flowers on a branched raceme. During the plant commentary, we saw how Jane grows her *Phragmepediums* in self watering pots made from soft drink bottles. The mass of healthy root growth was clearly visible through the clear plastic. In nature Phrags often grow on the rocky banks of rivers with their roots down in the water. A tip given over coffee, was to use green "Sprite" bottles as this avoids the necessity to put the clear pots within black pots to stop the growth of algae.

I think Norm Gitsham needs some competition on the second division benches, so come on you second division growers I am certain you have some nice plants there for us to see.

### Open Division

#### *Flower of the Division and Flower of the Night*

##### *Paph. parishii* Grown by D. & J. Higgs

This species *Paphiopedilum* had a single healthy growth with a single inflorescence of 4 fully open flowers. These were 55mm wide and 159mm long with the petals accounting for 106mm of this length. The colours were quite strong for this species. The dorsal and ventral sepals were a pale creamy green with strong thin vertical green lining while the petals were similarly coloured but with some almost black spotting for the first third, turning to a purple brown for the remaining length. Some of the spots along the edge of the petals had short hairs protruding from them. An excellent example of this species.

Aust.Nat.Epi Species	<i>Dockrillia cucumerania</i>	D. Biebrick	3
Laeliinae Std. >100mm	<i>Blc.</i> (Toshie Aoki x Beverly Blietz)	A.&R. Herrmann-Mckay	3
Laeliinae Std. <100mm	<i>Slc.</i> Mahala Jack 'Springhaven'	D. & J. Higgs	3
Laeliinae Non Std. Cluster	<i>C.</i> Valentine Day 'Lisa'	D. Biebrick	3
	<i>C.</i> Valentine Day 'Lisa'	D. Biebrick	2
	<i>C.</i> Valentine Day 'Chloe'	D. Biebrick	1
Laeliinae Non Std. Other	<i>Lc.</i> Harri-Anceps	D. Biebrick	3
Laeliinae Other Hybrid	<i>Epic.</i> Anderson's Special	D. Biebrick	3
Dendrobium	<i>Den.</i> ((Lady Kiesel x Peter Peterson) x <i>canaliculatum</i> )	A.&R. Herrmann-Mckay	3
Phalaenopsis` Novelty	<i>Dtps.</i> Quen Bear 'All Red'	A. & R. Herrman-Mckay	3
Novelty Paphiopedilum	* <i>Paph.</i> Oodnadatta (Bar-Maude x Pop Monkhouse)	H. Herrmann	3
	<i>Paph.</i> ( <i>superbiens</i> x Jolly Roger)	H. Herrmann	2
	<i>Paph.</i> (Maudiae x Dorary)	H. Herrmann	1
Species Paphiopedilum	<i>Paph. parishii</i>	D. & J. Higgs	3
Oncidium/Odontoglossum Alliance	<i>Colm.</i> Jungle monarch	H. Herrmann	3
	<i>Onc.</i> Makalii 'Gotoh'	A.&R. Herrmann-Mckay	2
	<i>Dgma.</i> Flying High 'Stars n' Bars	A.&R. Herrmann-McKay	1
Other Hybrids	<i>Phrag.</i> Cardinale	D. & J. Higgs	3
	<i>Promenaea</i> unknown	P. & G. Flavel	2
Other Species	<i>Phal. bellina</i>	T. Garrard	3
	<i>Onc. flexuosum</i>	P. & G. Flavel	2
	<i>Enc. radiata</i>	P. & G. Flavel	1
Best Seedling	<i>Oda.</i> (Goodonya X Coniston)	D. & J. Higgs	3



## First Division

### *Flower of the Division*

#### ***Enc. alata 'Marion' grown by M. Baulderstone***

This plant had 4 growths and a single branched inflorescence, 300mm long, with 7 open flowers and 11 buds. It will be even more spectacular when all these buds are open. The flowers were greenish cream in the centre with the ends of the tepals a nice deep brown purple. The spear shaped (hastate) lip had a cream base with brown purple striations and a yellow edge. The flowers measured 43mm wide and 59mm long.

Aust.Nat.Epi Species	<i>Sarco. ceciliae</i>	M. J. Cunningham	3
Laeliinae Non Std. Cluster	<i>C. Valentine Day</i>	M. Baulderstone	
Zygopetalum Alliance	<i>Z. (mackayi X Titanic)</i>	W. & R. Clark	3
Other Species	<i>Enc alata 'Marion'</i>	M. Baulderstone	3

## Second Division

### *Flower of the Division*

#### ***C. (Summer Stars X forbesii) Grown by N. Gitsham***

This large plant, with 6 inflorescences, was overgrowing its 6" (150mm) squat pot. It had 13, 80cm, blooms of soft pink with a whitish labellum and dark pink throat.

Laeliinae Non Std. Other	<i>C. (Summer Stars X forbesii)</i>	N. Gitsham	3
Laeliinae Other Hybrid	<i>Epi. Red</i>	N. Gitsham	3
	<i>Epidendrum unknown</i>	N. Gitsham	2

### Move or not to move

No decision has been made on the current proposal to locate South Coast Orchid Club to another location. **All members** are now asked to please seriously consider the proposal then fill in this form and deposit it in the box provided at the next meeting.

In the event you are not attending meetings this month, please send it to :-

The Secretary  
S.C.O.C.  
Box 314  
Oaklands Park S.A. 5046

**Will you support the Club and continue to be a member if we moved to a new location?**

Yes      No

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(please tick appropriate square)

Location of the hall :-      St Bernadette`s Parish Hall  
1257 - 1259 South Rd  
St Marys  
(Just down from Mitsubishi Motors on eastern side)



## South Coast Orchid Club Inc Membership Renewal

Show No. . . . .

I/We wish to renew Membership of the Club

Fees– Joint membership	\$25.00
Concession	\$22.50
Single Membership	\$20.00
Concession	\$18.00
Junior Membership	\$15.00

Name: Mr/Mrs/Miss . . . . .

Address . . . . .

. . . . .Postcode . . . . .

Phone /Fax Number . . . . . Email address . . . . .

Mobile Phone Number . . . . .

**SURFACE  
MAIL**

### **Odontoglossum crispum**

Odonts hail from South America and grow at some altitude which means that most are more cool growing than many other species from this area.

Odont crispum can be grown in Adelaide providing it is kept in a cooler and more shaded area

I grow my plant about 300 mm. From the floor and well below all other plants.

