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NEXT MEETING: -

14TH JULY 1987; 8.00PM.

LUTHERAN CHURCH HALL, WINDSONG COURT, CHRISTIES DOWNS.

BENCHING TO BE FINALISED BY 7,45PM.

## **GUEST SPEAKER:-**

MR. DON GALLAGHER FROM 'PARADE URCHIDS' WILL GIVE US A TALK ON THE 'ALTERNATIVE GENERA'. DON IS PRESIDENT OF THE AUSTRALIAN ORCHID COUNCIL', REISTRAR OF JUDGES FOR THE ORCHID CLUB OF S.A. INC.

THIS MEETING SHOULD BE AN INTEREST FOR ALL, AS IT WILL GIVE MEMBERS IDEAS OF WHAT CAN BE GROWN WITH WHAT.

SEE YOU THERE.

### SUPPER ROSTER:-

M. Mangelsdorf.

Please report to Mrs. Trix Anderson.

HALL ROSTER:-

To report to to Terry Howard at 7.00pm At the Hall.

H. Viney, B. Norsworthy & Mr vanLeuveren.

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Our registrar of judges Mrs Brenda Lynch, is looking for volounteers, to help the judges at our Winter Show, on Saturday Morning 1st August, at the Marion Community Recreation Centre. Helpers will be required to write out judging sheets, and act as runners for the judges. People who have helped in the past, have learned a lot on what judges look for in plants, would anyone wishing to help please see Brenda Lynch, at our July Monthly Cultural Meeting.

## CULTURAL NOTES FOR JULY:-

### Cymbidiums:-

- 1. Keep snails and slugs inder control.
- 2. Take your show plants in under cover as soon as the buds are out of the sheath. Keep the dark colours in the shade to prevent colour bleach, yellows and green in bright light to give bright colours and whites give periodic full light to bleach.
- 3. Foliar fertilise  $\frac{1}{2}$  strength weekly, low nitrogen.

## Cattleyas:-

- 1. As weather gets colder water less.
- 2. Fertilize only plants that have new leads or active root growth. Make sure no moisture gets down into the new growth or otherwise you stand the good chance of loosing the growth with rot.

## Paphiopedilums:-

- 1. Keep water to a minimum during the winter months.
- 2. Give as much light as possible to your plants.

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This months profile is on one of our Junior Members.

Steven Gambell is 15 years old, and is attending Christies Beach High School.

He first got started growing orchids, 10 years ago when his Grandfather Bert Fletcher got his first orchid, since then he has shared his pleasure, with his Grandfather.

Steven has approx 250 orchids, he likes to grow as many different types as he can, but it seems his first love is one solitary PHALAENOPSIS, which he grows in his Mother's kitchen, on top of the fridge and it has flowered for him there.

Steven is a very friendly lad, who is not afraid to muck in and help. Steven wishes to gain employment, when he leaves school in technical drawing, or work for the C.S.I.R.O. We wish him good luck in his endeavours.

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## NATIVE EPIPHYTES ARE THE SHOT

by Reg Shooter

Den. X delicatum is not quite a robust a plant in appearance as Den. speciosum but more so than Den. kingianum sometimes having long thin pseudobulbs, sometimes short squat ones, depending upon the parents used and cultivation conditions. It grows quite happily under 50% shade in South Australia, preferably in a pot, although if attention is given to watering during summer months can be grown mounted. If you decide to grow it mounted make sure a fairly large sturdy mount is used as the plant can get quite large when fully matured. If grown in a pot an open porous bark and charcoal compost seems to suit. Water and fertilise in the spring and summer when full growth, tailing off towards the autumn (particually nitrogen based fertilisers) and keep fairly dry during the winter months.

The flowers are quite variable on Den. X delicatum, ranging from white to yellow and pink in colour and in shape from  $\widehat{Den}$ . speciosum to the  $\widehat{Den}$  kingianum type. Some clones have short scapes with only a few flowers, some have long scapes with up to 20 flowers, the flower season is between August and October.

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We are looking for donations, of specimen orchid plants, that we could raffle at our Winter Show. We would the plants to be clean and healthy, could you please see our Show Marshall, Mr. Wayne Farquhar, if you can help.

The species Paphiopedilum spicerianum is located in Assam, and the Barak and Sonai River Gorges in India. It is considered to be one of the dwarves of the genus. It's natural habitat is on high cliffs above streams, where the plants grow perpendicular to the cliffs, with the leaves pendulous and the flower scapes jutting straight out. Long roots anchor the plants to the rocks, and tend to creep over the ground rather than be buried in the compost. They enjoy abundant moisture all year round, which gives us a clue on cultivating this species.

When growing in the lower warmer regions and receiving more light the leaves are broader than those from the higher cooler altitudes with heavier shade, these plants have long narrow leaves. The plain green leaves have purple spotting underneath, which appears more dense on plants from higher elevations.

The flowers are usually borne singly on each peduncle, the dorsal sepal is white with a reddish purple band at the middle fold, and is bent forward to form a hood. The base of the dorsal sepal is narrow and blotched with green and dull red, and the petals are strap-shaped and wavy, are a yellow green colour, spotted with red, marked with a crimson midline. The lip is brown with touches of crimson. The colours can be variable.

Paph. spicerianum blooma in late Autumn and Winter, and the flowers last in good condition for many weeks. As a general rule the green leaved forms of paphiopedilums do not require as much warmth as the mottled or tessellated leaved ones, and can easily be grown in an unheated glasshouse. Some growers even have success growing them in shadehouses with the cymbidiums, but I feel they do need that little extra protection during the cold winter months. They need a constant supply of moisture, and regular weak fertilizer.

One member who is growing the genus to perfection is Mr. C. C. Burfield, whose plant of Paph. spicerianum was chosen as the Registrar's Choice Flower of the month in June.

The healthy plant had several growths, and three attractive flowers.

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Your Committee wishes to draw your attention to the following new "Awards Procedure" for the Orchid Club of South Australia Inc. so any member who wishes to have a plant considered for an Award must notify our Registrar of Judges (Brenda Lynch) in plenty of time so that the new conditions can be adhered to, the following is a reprint from the June copy of the South Australian Orchid Bulletin:-

#### AWARDS PROCEDURE

A new by-law was passed at the May Committee Meeting.

Essentially the new by-law is introduced to ensure that the parentage of plants being submitted for Award judging is provided by the person submitting the plant for judging.

To assist growers with the identification of the parentagle, the following sources of information are available.

- 1. The nursery from which the plant was purchased.
- Sanders Hybrid Lists: copies of these are available from the Club Library, and one set is held by the Editor, and another by the Registrar.
- Supplements in the American Orchid Society Bulletin and the English Orchid Review. Copies of these publications are available from the Library.

This by-law can only assist the grower submitting the plant, since the judging of plants must be dependent upon the judges being aware of the parentage of the plants they are judging, so it is important the this is closely adhered to in the future.

<u>Please note</u> also that the Registrar requires 24 hours notice of a plant being submitted for Award judgomg. Please, give this your consideration when applying it is very difficult sometimes for the Registrar to re-organise his panel's schedule if he has plants submitted at the very last moment, particularly on meeting nights with the schedule as heavy as it is.

## BUS TRIP.

Our bus trip is now being finalised, the cost will be \$13.00 a head, this includes the food for the B.B.Q and the bus ride. We will require a \$5.00 deposit, for anyone wishing to come along. Also we are asking could we borrow some of the members B.B.Q's. Juaging from past trips everyone who turns up will be in for a good day. So remember the day SUNDAY 23rd AUGUST.

### NOMENCLATURE.

The Australian Orchid Council urges standardisation of nomenclature in accordance with international rules and the International Orchid Commission Handbook on Orchid Nomenclature and Registration.

All judges and students at judging classes should be required to have a copy of this Handbook.

The theoretical judging examinations should include questions which gauge a candidate's knowledge of nomenclature.

## CORRECT WRITING OF ORCHID NAMES.

## Species and their variants.

Each species has a generic name, or first term, e.g. Cattleya, also a specific epithet, or second term, e.g. skinneri. The two terms together constitute the specific name of the species: Cattleya skinneri

When written they are always in italics or underlined. The generic name begins with a capital letter but the specific epithet (second term) is written with a small first letter even when it is derived from a personal name.

A varietal epithet (third term) is given to a distinctive race within a species, it is preceded by the abbreviation var. (for variety) in roman letters, and is in italics or underlined and without a capital. Example: Cymbidium lowianum var. concolor.

A special clone of a species may be given a cultivar epithet (third or fourth term). It is not latinised, has a capital, is not in italics, is not underlined, and has single quotes. Examples: Cattleya skinneri 'Mistral' (third term), and Cymbidium lowianum var. concolor 'Picardy' (fourth term)

### Artificial Hybrids.

The generic name (first term) begins with a capital letter and is in italics or underlined. The second term is always a registered hybrid name. It is not latinised, is in roman letters, and the initial letter is a capital. Example: Cymbidium Highland Mist.

A special clone of a hybrid may be distinguished by a cultivar epithet. It is in roman letters, has a capital, and is in single quotes. Example: Cymbidium Highland Mist 'Dillabirra'.

## GENERAL POINTS.

The word species is both singular and plural. The word genus is singular and in plural is genera. Generic names are always one word and abbreviations must adhere to this e.g. Blc, Bc, Slc, etc. Note that var. or variety is only used for species orchids and refers to a race not a clone. For more detailed data on correct useage refer to the Handbook on Nomenclature.

REMEMBER THIS YEAR IS OUR FIRST WINTER SHOW AWAY FROM COLONNADES. SO LETS MAKE IT A SHOW TO REMEMBER.

### SECOND DIVISION

Aus Native Epi. Mini Cym	Den Hilda Poxon Pendragon 'Broadmoor' X Peter Pan	M & E Gale 3 Mr & Mrs Hoeck 3
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Miscellaneous	Z. John Banks 'Purple Lips'	N Andrews 3
	Epi. Obrienianum	B Clark 2
Paph.	Swallow Flight	C. Howard 3
anthonore.   distributed in	Harrisianum	C Howard 2
Species	Epi. ilaguense	M & E Gale 3
	Éncyclia cochleata	B Wyly 2
	Osmoglossum pulchellum	M J Tiggeman 1

DIVISION FLOWER FOR MONTH :-

Den Hilda Poxon

M & E Gale

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## FIRST DIVISION

Aus Native Epi.	Den Hilda Poxon			D Biebrick 3
	Den Kim Heinze			B Anderson 2
Cymbidium	Bethlehem 'Early Times'	Mr	&	Mrs Jacobsen 3
Mini Cym	Mini Splendour			V Rogers 3
Cattleya	Slc Little Beamche X C. luteola			C C Burfield 3
	C. Antigo X Lc. Princess Esk	Mr	&	Mrs Jacobsen 2
	Bc Languedoc 'Singapore Welcome'			H H Pankoke 1
Miscellaneous	Hknsa Alice Wanaga 'Ruby Lips'			C C Burfield 3
	Z. John Banks 'Purple Lips'			V Rogers 2
Novelty Paph.	Maudiae 'Magnificum'			C C Burfield 3
Species Paph.	spicerianum			C C Burfield 3
-	insigne			C C Burfield 2
	villosum			C C Burfield 1
Species	L. anceps var chamberlainiana	Mr	&	Mrs Jacobsen 3
-	Z. mackaui			V Rogers 2

DIVISION FLOWER FOR MONTH :-

Paph. spicerianum C C Burfield

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## OPEN DIVISION

Mini Cym	Rojo Negro 'George Hawke'	K H Northcote 3
	Wilpena 'Erna'	K & B Lynch 2
	Pendragon X Peter Pan	J Nicholls 1
Inter Cym	Marrong 'Russet King'	K H Northcote 3
	Pendragon X Mellinga	Guest Orchids 2
	Marrong 'Lady Jill'	K H Northcote 1
Cattleya	C. Browniae	L & R Moore 3
	Bc. Hope Island 'Beauty'	L & R Moore 2
	Lc Jonoral X Quadroon	Guest Orchids 1
Miscellaneous	Onc. Green Gold 'Pokai'	J Nicholls 3
	Z. B.G.White	L & R Moore 2
Species Paph.	fairieanum	K & B Lynch 3
	sukhakulii	K & B Lynch 2
Species	Z. Mackayii	K H Northcote 3
	Cym. erthrostylum	J Nicholls 2
	Ludisia discolor	J Nicholls 1

DIVISION FLOWER FOR MONTH :-

Inter. Cym. Marrong 'Russet King' K H Nothcote

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REGISTRAR'S CHOICE June 1987:- Paph. spicerianum

C C Burfield.

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During our Winter Show, we will be holding Four potting demonstrations, would there be any members, who wish to sell plants on the trading table, and have plants big enough to divide, we could divide the plants during the potting demo, and sell the divisions afterwards.

If you have any plants, please see our Show Marshall, Mr. Wayne Farqunar.

Our Winter Show is fast approaching. Members are reminded that assistance is required, in certain areas and if you are able to assist, could you please contact the Show Marshall, at the July Meeting.

## PUT IN TIME.

Friday 31st July at 6.pm to 7.30pm.

## Judging\_

Will take place on Saturday 1st August at 8.am to 10.am for those who are helping only.

OPENING TIMES FOR MEMBERS AND GENERAL PUBLIC. Saturday 1st August and Sunday 2nd August at 10.am to 5.pm.

TAKE OUT OF SHOW. Between 4.30pm to 5.pm on Sunday 2nd August.

Areas of assistance required are.

- 1. Jam, Scones, Cream and Milk donations are required for the Devonshire Teas.
- Members required for manning of the admission table, to collect entrance fee's from public, and manning of trading table.
- 3. Donations of Flowering Specimen Orchids for Raffle prize.
- 4. Members required to do potting demonstrations on Saturday and Sunday.
- 5. As no safety fencing is to be used, members are asked to assist on a roster basis, to patrol the area.
- 6. Members are asked to bring some brooms and dust pans, etc. To help clean up after the Show finishes on Sunday.

Also, members wishing to sell plants on the trading table are, reminded that members who are showing, four or more plants at the Winter Show, are only charged 25% of the sale price, whereas members not showing will be charged 33% of the sale price.

Labels will be issued for each division at the July Meeting, although exibitors are reminded, that old labels can be revived by cleaning with Metholated Spirits.

Members please wear your Club Badges, in order to obtain free admission, otherwise you will need to pay normal publis admission fee of \$1.00.

Exibitors note that at the Winter Show, the Club will be giving, Sashes for Grand Champion, and Reserve Champion Orchids. Also 2nd Place Prize Cards will be, given in all divisions.

## CHARGES.

If not wearing a Membership Badge \$1.00 admission will be charged. Denonshire Teas will be \$1.50 each.

 At the November Meeting of the Executive Committee of the S.C.O.C., the recommendation for a Commercial Division to be added to the Show Schedule was considered, the motion was defeated by a majority decision the Committee decided such a Division was not warranted at this time.

The matter was raised by our President, Malcolm Mangelsdorf at the March 86 Affiliated Societies Meeting. There was some discussion, but the idea did not receive support from any of the other Club delegates.

This was reported in the Affiliated Society Meeting Minutes, to the S.C.O.C. Committee in June, and the Committee agreed then to abide by that decision.

Although it would not be impossible for the S.C.O.C. to be the first Club to initiate the move for a Commercial Division, we would be the only Club interested in doing this, so it would be rather unpractical to do so.

The Committee understands that some members feel concern at being elevated from one Division to another, it has been decided to alter the Club's By-Laws to give members more time to progress to a higher Division.

By-Law No 1 - B (3) A 'Second Division Exhibitor' shall mean an exhibitor who has nominated for this division. A member may not exhibit in this division after he has won 20 major prizes. A 'Second Division Exhibitor' shall remain so until the end of the Show Year during which he gains his 20th major prize or first placing.

## ( 20 major prizes has been substituted for 5 )

By-Law No 1 - B (4) A 'First Division Exhibitor' shall mean an exhibitor who has nominated for this Division, or who has graduated from the Second Division and is not an 'Open Division Exhibitor'.

A member may not exhibit in this Division after he has won 30 major prizes in this Division, in the preceding 3 years subject to clause 2(a) hereof. (Clause 2A), any Open Division Exhibitor who has for two consecutive years failed to win a total of three major prizes for those two years may seek Committee approval to exhibit as a First Division Exhibitor.

# ( 30 major prizes has been substituted for 15 )

These amended By-laws will apply from 1987, and will not affect any graduation in 1986.

It is brought to the member's attention, that any member exhibiting in the Open Division in the S.C.O.C. may apply to the S.C.O.C. for dispensation to exhibit in First Division in any other Club at the discretion of the Committee.

It has also been decided by the Committee to alter the end of the aggragate year from November to December, this will coincide with the end of the financial year, and also will bring us into line with the O.C.S.A. and other Affiliated Societies. The aggregate year therefore be from the February Cultural Meeting, beginning year 1987. This means any points gained at the December 1986 Cultural Meeting will be disregarded for the 1987 aggragate prizes will be distributed in February instead of December each year.