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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Club will be held at the LUTHERAN CHURCH HALL, WINDSONG COURT, CHRISTIE DOWNS, ON

TUESDAY 14th FEBRUARY, 1989 at 8.00pm.

BUSINESS:-

To receive the Annual Report
To Receive the Statement of Receipts and Payments

To Elect Office Bearers for the forthcoming year. The following nominations have been received.

PRESIDENT - L. Moore.
VICE*PRESIDENTS - Mrs. B. Lynch, R. Goodall.
HON. SECRETARY - T. Howard.
HON. TREASURER - Mrs. R. Moore.
COMMITTEE MEMBERS - 3 required - 2 for two years & 1 for one year

Wayne Farquhar, John Jacobsen, John Nicholls, Rick Pankoke.

a ballot will be required

MEMO:- Editor of the Gazette, Show Marshall, Registrar of Judges, Seedling Co-ordinator, and a Rep from Day-time Chapter will be appointed by the Committee at it's first meeting.

Any members requiring Proxy Forms please see the Secretary, before the February Meeting.

Slides will be shown during the A.G.M. of the Registrar of Judges Choice of the Flower of the Month for 1988, and members will be asked to vote on Flower of the Year.

The Committee have put 2 members names forward for Life Membership, would you please receive your ballot forms on entry to the Hall.

Due to the increase of Club costs, subscriptions for 1989 will be Couple \$20.00, Single \$15.00, Junior \$7.00.

CONDUCT OF THE ELECTION

THE CONSTITUTION OF THE CLUB REQUIRES THE ELECTION OF OFFICERS TO BE BY BALLOT.

As there were only sufficient nominations to fill the vacancies of the Executive it will only be necessary to have a ballot for the election of the three Committee.

Ballot papers will be distributed at the A.G.M., each paper will have the four nominations listed in alphabetical order.

To cast your vote members should place an X beside the three [3] candidates of their choice. Papers having more than the required three X's will be discarded, however papers containing two [2] or less X's will be counted.

Members are unable to attend the Meeting and wish to appoint another person as their proxy please contact the Secretary.

All members who are financial as at 31st December 1988 are eligible to cast a vote.

FEBRUARY CULTURAL MEETING TO FOLLOW A.G.M.

Monthly benching of plants, this is the first competition for 1989.

Trading Table

Library

Please don't forget SUPPER.

COLOUR SLIDES - MEMBERS ARE REQUESTED TO BRING IN ANY RECENT SLIDES OF THEIR ORCHIDS TO MAKE UP A PROGRAMME

ARE YOU ABLE TO ASSIST WITH

[1] Setting up with the Hall

If so see Terry Howard and he will welcome you with open arms.

Most of the time everything is left for him to do.

[2] Assist with Supper at the Monthly Meetings

(Male or female)

If you are able then Trix Anderson is the person to see.

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It is with pleasure that the Club would like to announce the following members have graduated from Second Division into First Division, The members are John Gay who has won 22 prizes in two years. Mr. & Mrs. C. Hames who have won 24 prizes in 3 years, congratulations to them.

A very eye-catching equitant *Oncidium* Potpourri X Honey Girl, grown by Charlie and Helen Edwards, was the Registrar's Choice for Month of December. This *Oncidium* was potted in bark, and although still quite small, showing healthy growth, with one attractive inflorescence of bright, clear yellow flowers. The blooms were approximately 2.5 cms across, and were presented on an arching spike.

Equitant *oncidiums* are a native to the Islands of the Caribbean, and grow on tree trunks, most species receive daily moisture, either rain or dew. These natural conditions mean that these orchids are ideally suited to slab culture. As the plants do not grow to huge size, several plants can be grown on one long cork slab, and if of different colours do make a very attractive display when in flower.

The beautiful coloured and patterned hybrids in cultivation today are largely due to the 30 year long programme initiated by the late W.W. Goodale Moir of Hawaii in the 1950's.

The most important requirement of equitant *oncidiums* is buoyant, fresh, air movement. They thrive in a humid atmosphere and respond to a frequent but weak application of fertilizer. Misting is essential for mounted plants, as the roots can dry out very quickly. Plants growing in pots need to be watered carefully, as the confined roots tend to rot easily if kept wet.

'Mealy-Bug' and 'Scale' attack the plants, but they can be kept under control by constant checking for signs of infestation and subsequent application of mentholated spirits by cotton wool swab or small brush.

Don't be in a hurry to cut the spike after the first flowering, as equitant *oncidiums* can produce secondary and sometimes tertiary inflorescences. They therefore can bloom for several months. The longevity of flowering, size, colour and ease of culture make these orchids very desirable additions to collections.

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Catasetums

Distribution - Tropical Central and South America and West Indies; about 50 species.

Catasetum enjoy bright light and respond to heavy feeding and in situations where there is good air circulation. Potting medium should be coarse and well drained. The plants require a period of dormancy whilst maturing the new growth, this means withholding water for a period of four to six weeks so as not to rot the large food and water storage bulbs. Loss of leaves just before flowering should not be alarming, although a well cared plant will generally flower when it still has its leaves. Care should be taken at this maturing side as red spider may attack, so keep a good look out on underside of the leaves for this pest.

This is one genera where plants produce two distinctive flowers, male or female. It is often said that plants that grown in highlight will produce female flowers.

Rossioglossum grande (formerly known as *Odontoglossum grande*)

Distribution - Guatemala and Mexico: uncommon and found in forests up to 2700m altitude

Grown in well drained pots, preferring an intermediate type condition. They have no rest period and dislike being kept dry for any period nor do they like being kept wet, however after the growth has fully mature watering should be kept to a minimum.

MONTHLY COMPETITION
December 1988

SECOND DIVISION

Novelty Cattleya	Ctna. Maui Maid 'December Bride'	W Barrett	3
	C. Summer Star X <i>C. forbesii</i>	N Gitsham	2
	<i>L. purpurata</i> X <i>C. intermedia</i>	K & L Larsen	1
Dendrobium	Aran 'Princess'	W Barrett	3
Odont. Alliance Onc.	Potpourri X Honey Girl	C & H Edwards	3
	Onc. Sensation	C & H Edwards	2
Miscellaneous	Epi. Bees Knees	C & H Edwards	3
	Epi. Boundii	J Dudley	2
Phalaenopsis	Quarterly 'Terson' X Happy Valentine	C Ameer	3
	Unknown	W Barrett	2
Paphiopedilum	Canasta X Via Terra Linda	W Barrett	3
	Red Splendour X Paeony	D Legnick	2
Novelty Paph.	<i>delanati</i> X <i>moquettianum</i>	C Ameer	3
Species Paph.	<i>niveum</i>	C Ameer	3
Species	<i>Onc. sphacelatum</i>	C Ameer	3
	<i>Cym. lowianum</i>	N Gitsham	2
	<i>Onc. sphacelatum</i>	W Barrett	1

FLOWER OF DIVISION :- Onc. Potpourri X Honey Girl grown by C & H Edwards.

Judged by Lewis Moore
 Student Judge Rick Pankoke

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FIRST DIVISION

Australian Native Epi.	<i>Cym. canaliculatum</i>	B Wyly	3
	<i>Cym. madidum</i>	D Biebrick	2
	<i>Cym. canaliculatum</i>	D Biebrick	1
Aus. Native Epi. Hybrid	Den. Hilda Poxon	D Biebrick	3
	Den. Ellen	W & M Vaughan	2
Cattleya	<i>L. purpurata</i> X <i>C. schroderae</i>	R & B Anderson	3
	Blc. Kebir	H & B Viney	2
Odont Alliance	On. Splinter X <i>sphacelatum</i>	R & B Anderson	3
Miscellaneous	Ascf. Chery Blossum	W & M Vaughan	3
Species paphiopedilum	<i>glaucophyllum</i>	D Biebrick	3
Species	<i>Onc. sphacelatum</i>	B Wyly	3
	<i>Dendrochilum filiforme</i>	B Wyly	2
	<i>Lyc. aromatica</i>	W & M Vaughan	1

FLOWER OF DIVISION : *Cym. canaliculatum* by B Wyly

Judged by Brenda Lynch
 Assisted by Helen Edwards

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OPEN DIVISION

Aus Native Epiphyte	<i>Cym. canaliculatum</i>	L & R Moore	3
	<i>Cym. canaliculatum</i>	McGrath Orchids	2
	<i>Cym. sauve</i>	L & R Moore	1
Aus Native Epi. Hybrid	Sarc. Louis	K & B Lynch	3
	<i>Sarc. roseus</i> x <i>cecilae</i>	K Northcote	2
Cattleya	Blc. Sylvia Fry X Lc. Blue Boy	K & B Lynch	3
	Slc. Jewel Box 'Scheherazade'	K & B Lynch	2
	<i>L. tenebrosa</i> X Slc. Brandywine	K & B Lynch	1
Novelty Cattleya	Sl. Orpetii 'Bella Vista'	L & R Moore	3
Odont. Alliance	Wils. Solana Bronze 'Butterscotch'	Adelaide Orchids	3
	Oda. Sandal 'Red Velvet'	Adelaide Orchids	2
	Wils. Solana Bronze 'Oranges'	L & R Moore	1

MONTHLY COMPETITION
December 1988

Miscellaneous	Hksna. Koolau 'Sunset'	L & R Moore	3
	Hmwsa. June 'Purple Leopard'	Adelaide Orchids	3
	Hmwsa. June 'Blue Lagoon'	Adelaide Orchids	1

OPEN DIVISION (continued)

Phalaenopsis	(William Shaffer x Charles Shaffer) X		
	Hermosa 'Highbury'	K Northcote	3
	Zuma Holiday X Zuma Happiness	L & R Moore	2
Novelty Paph.	<i>victoria-mariae</i> X <i>moquetteanum</i>	L & R Moore	3
Species	<i>Onc. sphacelatum</i>	K Northcote	3

FLOWER OF DIVISION :- *Onc. sphacelatum* grown by K Northcote.

Judged by Murray Weston & Peter McCauley
Student Judge Wayne Farquhar.

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REGISTRAR'S CHOICE :- *Onc. Potpourri* X Honey Girl Grown by C. & H. Edwards.

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13th WORLD ORCHID CONFERENCE AUCKLAND N.Z. 1990

World orchid conferences are held every four years in various host countries around the world; participating in them is a great experience, not just for the opportunity to view the best orchids in the world but to renew or make new friendships, to engage in social functions or take in some sightseeing.

The most recent conferences have been held in parts of the world which made attending them rather expensive, --
Japan, U.S.A. and Africa.

The 13th World Conference to be held in September, 1990 in Auckland, N.Z. however should be within the reach of most orchid lovers if they start planning now.

The N.Z. planning committee under the Chairmanship of Dr. Dennis Bonham and Publicity Chairman Ray Dix have the early planning well under way. The first newsletters have been circularized and the registration booklet will be available in early 1989.

Reg Shooter has been appointed Conference Liaison Officer for South Australia, and will pleased to answer any queries or have your name placed on the mailing list.

Reg can be contacted by

Phoning [08] 356 2666

or by writing to 5 Diane Place
Grange SA 5022.

*The Kiwis can always be relied upon to patronize conferences
wherever they are held in Australia;
let us reciprocate by
supporting them in
1990*

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Day-time Chapter

The next Meeting will be on 16th February 1989, at 2pm.
At South Brighton Community Hall.

Cymbidium Awards 1980 - 1986. Highlighting the awards given to Cymbidiums by the Australian Orchid Council, they will be shown by Keith Northcote. It is with regret that we tell the members of the Day-time Chapter, that Mrs. Earle can no longer attend meetings, due to her moving to Salisbury, she wishes all members the best for 1989.

DAY-TIME CHAPTER.

by Kath Harris.

Once again the attendance was up for the Christmas Meeting.

Mrs. Thorat Tormet makes it sound so easy to grow all these different genera of orchids. On slides and together with her very informative talk, we should flower everything. There is always the hope that some day we will. Thanks Mrs. Tormet, it gets the enthusiasm going again.

There were 14 raffle prizes today, thanks to all who donated them and a nice Christmas present to the lucky winners.

Once again a good variety of orchids benched. The popular vote was won by Harry Viney from Keith Northcote and Norm Gitsham - congratulations to all, great to see orchids flowering nearly all the year.

After the meeting all joined in an excellent afternoon tea, shared the Christmas cake, beautiful too, and adjourned until 16th Feb.

Make a new year resolution and join our Day-Time Chapter, it is one resolution you will be glad you made.

Often a novice grower and those who should know better unwittingly offend a grower when visiting another collection and they often wonder why they are never invited a return visit.

There are four rules which one should observe when visiting another persons orchid collection. One should never :-

1. Touch plants in a collection, especially the leaves or the flowers. Although you may think your hands to be clean they are not sterile and may transmit disease.
2. DO NOT SMOKE, even do not be ask the owner if you may, however if the owner himself is smoking PLEASE ask permission before you do.
3. Do not touch and remove plant labels from pots, if you cannot read the label ASK. Also by removing and replacing the label those precious roots can be damaged. But the main reason is that if the label is inadvertently placed in the next pot the grower then is in a quandry, two labels in one pot and none in another.
4. Do not carry a handbag or anything in your hand or on your arm through a collection, especially in a glasshouse, room is limited and as you suddenly turn your handbag may swing outwards resulting in damage to flowers and often knocking over and unpotting what could be valuable plant (not to say that a grower will consider all his plants to be more valuable than yours)

So keep these points in mind and you will be considered as an experienced grower and stand a better chance of being welcomed to call again.

DID YOU KNOW ?

Dendrobium Delicatum , *Den. X delicatum* , *Den. Specio-kingianum*.

(*Den. speciosum X Den. kingianum*)

Den. X delicatum is a natural hybrid listed in 1902 as such

Den. Specio-kingianum a man made hybrid was registered in 1892

Den. delicatum since the 'Sander's List of Orchid Hybrids' addendum 1961-1970 is listed as a species until the 1981-1985 Volume where it tells us that all hybrids with 'Delicatum' as one parent will be listed under *Specio-kingianum* in Sander's.

This is all confusing however the plant, whatever the name is, it is still worth growing.

Den. Delicatum makes a delicate show. There are many variations of this hybrid, some have tall canes some have medium sized canes and others have short dumpy canes likewise the flowers vary from crystalline white through to pinks, mainly pastel colours however. Once the plant becomes established and is of specimen proportion it will make a well worth display and deserve a place in any collection.

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SEEDLINGS AVAILABLE TO CLUB MEMBERS AT FEBRUARY MEETING.

At the February meeting John Dudley will have a ten *Den. Delicatum* seedlings for sale @ \$4.00 each.

Den speciosum 'Yellow' X kingianum 'Albert West'

One would expect a pink flower of larger than normal size with a prettily spotted pink lip on compact growing plants from this particular cross.

Also there will be for those who do not want Aus. Natives ten cattleya seedlings @ \$5.00 each

Slc. Tangerine Jewel 'Vi' X C. Penny Kuroda 'Spots'

Compact growers which have the capability of flowering twice a year. Medium sized, good substance and of good shape pastel to sunset blooms, many will have deeper flaring on petals as in 'Spots'.