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HAPPY CHRISTMAS AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR TO ALL

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday December 9th. at the R.S.L. Hall, Morphett Vale commencing at 8 p.m.

THIS IS YOUR CHRISTMAS MEETING, so come along and let your hair down and celebrate. Visitors will be very welcome, but please bring the appropriate gift, so that nobody is left out.

After a very short meeting and presentation of prizes, the 'Man in Red' may pay us a visit, so be on your best behaviour.

The following is a list of 'Please Brings':-

1. A present for approx. \$1.00 for your own sex.
2. A Basket Supper.
3. Your name tag. (Father Xmas might miss you).
4. An odd drink or two or three or four and glass.
5. Money (I'll tell you later).

We will be having a monster raffle, this is why you will need money. The following is list of the prizes:- A Ceramic teapot (kindly donated by Bubs Greedy), Christmas table decorations made by our team of expert handcraft ladies, 6 Orchid Seedlings and also 1 Monster if available.

The Committee would like to thank the following members and firms for donating Orchid plants to the Festival Raffle:-

Mr. & Mrs. Lou. Carr
Stan Johnston Orchids
Mr. & Mrs. B. Hansen.

Adelaide Orchids
Mr. & Mrs. J. Leeder

The plants were appreciated by the winners.

The next Committee Meeting will be held at the home of Mr. John Leeder, 54, Austral Terrace, Malvern.

The following new members are welcome to our club:-

Mr. D.A. Hill, 58, Christina Road, Christies Downs. S.A. 5164.

Mrs. S.F. Poole, 28, Highland Drive, Bellevue Heights. S.A. 5050.

Mr. G. Butterick, 34, Wilson St., Plympton Park. S.A. 5038.

Mrs. E. Dyster, 14, Vincent St., Christies Beach. S.A. 5165.

There will not be a plant competition at the December meeting, but the following is list of winners at our November meeting.

OPEN SECTION.

Cymbidium	Sea Chanty 'Rosetta'	Valley Orchids	3 pts.
	Anita 'Janice'	Valley Orchids	2 pts.
Cattleya	Dia Cattleya	Nick Packard	3 pts.

NOVICE SECTION

Cymbidium	Hubert Cambourne 'Rapture'	R.A. Hill	3 pts.
	Anita 'Emily'	Mrs. H. Reid	2 pts.
	Mary Ann "Simplicity"	R.A. Hill	1 pt.
Cattleya	C. Blue Boy	Vic. Martin	3 pts.
	Susan Kesuka x Aclandiae	Mr. & Mrs. L. Carr	2 pts.
	Louise Georgiana	Vic. Martin	1 pt.

POPULAR VOTES

Sea Chanty 'Rosetta'	Valley Orchids.
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Again no member has come Third, Fifth or Fourth with any articles. I hope that whoever is doing the bulletin next year will receive help and co-operation. Any articles on growing conditions, problems etc. would be acceptable.

With the onslaught of summer bearing down upon us, try to get all dividing and potting completed. More wetting down will be required to help keep up the humidity - regular fertilizing can now commence - keep your growing area free of weeds and occasionally scatter a little snail bait around. One good spraying of 'Kelthane' now, should help to control any Red Spider that may be beginning to hatch.

For those of you with glasshouses of any shape or size, check your shading. A clear pane of glass could cause a pain in your Orchid collection.

Cattleyas could now be put outside with the Cymbidiums, but not in the middle of summer. John Le'der has his growing on a bench with his Cyms., and they look O.K. Give a couple a try, you may wind up having a great experience. Oncidiums - Brassias - Schomburkia - Laelias - Zygopetalum - Lycastes - and most of your Australian Natives will grow outside, so do not be afraid to try.

What about some of you growers who are growing other Orchids besides cymbidiums outside, making a list^{of} them plus what their potting media is, and where they are growing, and hand it to me as a Christmas present. I would be very grateful.

Our annual dinner at the Morphett Arms Hotel turned out to be a very enjoyable night. Next year we must try to book earlier, so that more of you can attend.

Do you know what you would have if you ran over a bird with your lawn mower?
Shredded Tweet.

The wife came home with a brand new mink coat. Her husband said, "Where the heck did you get that"?

She replied, "I won it in a raffle".

The following night she walked in with a beautiful diamond bracelet. Agian the husband asked, "Where the heck did you get that?"

Her reply was the same, "I won it in a raffle". Then she added, "And dear, would you do me favour. I expect to go to another raffle party tonight and I'm in a hurry. Would you mind drawing my bath?"

The husband did as instructed, but when his wife came in to take her bath, she found that there was only half an inch of water in the tub.

"Dear", she said, "why didn't you fill the tub?"

"Well darling", he answered, "I didn't want you to get your raffle ticket wet!

I must apologise for some of the bad copies of this bulletin. A bad workman always blames his tools and I am blaming everything. I am waiting for a new heading stencil, I am having a spot of bother with the duplicator, and my phone is out of order.

However - Happy Christmas.