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Regular monthly meetings:

Monthly meetings of the Society are held on the first **Wednesday** of each month (except January) at the **Seventh Day Adventist Church, corner Gould and Macleay St. Turner**. Meetings commence at 8:00pm with the library and trading table open from 7:30pm.

<u>Speakers:</u>

November 2011: Alan Stephenson - Sarcochilus species

December 2011: [Christmas Party]

Upcoming Orchid Events

Horticultural Society of Canberra Spring
Exhibition and Rose Show: Saturday 12th November
- 12pm to 5pm & Sunday 13th November - 11:30am to
4pm, Wesley Centre, National Circuit, Forest.
20th World Orchid Conference: 13-20 November
2011, Marina Bay, Singapore.

President's Comments

Our orchid workshop for beginners went very well. Thanks to Karen & Zoe Groeneveld for supplying plants and doing demonstrations, Laurie Woods for showing how to make an orchid bench, Mark Clements and Bill Ferris for supplying plants for re-potting and Robyn Noel for such an excellent venue, not to mention tea and coffee. Thanks to the efforts of all those present, there are quite a number of nice plants to grace our raffle table in the near future.

Now that the excitement of show season is behind us, it's time to put our energy into tending our orchids so they will perform at their best. Re-potting, fertilising and pest control should all be on the agenda. If you move your plants out into the garden for the summer, you can be pretty confident of avoiding frosts after Melbourne Cup Day. Don't forget to stock up on orchid supplies at our November meeting, as we won't have a sales table at the Christmas party, and we don't have a meeting in January. If you need large quantities of anything, please contact the correct person for your requirements in advance of the meeting. Happy growing, Jane

The members of the Committee welcome the following new members to the Society:

Timothy Sill
David and Meg Butler
Stacey Sterland
Christine and Warwick Finch.



September Orchid of the Night: *Pterostylis curta*, grown by Nita Wheeler

Committee Members

President:	Jane Wright	
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Committee meetings:

November: Jane Wright

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The Orchid Society of Canberra Spring Show 2011

Our show was wonderful once again, with 2 awards granted: an Award of Merit to *Maxillaria longissima* owned by Geoff Dyne and an Award of Cultural Merit to an outstanding pot of *Pterostylis* (species unknown) owned by Nita Wheeler. Although the total number of plants was down somewhat, the variety and colour were there as always.

As usual, many hands made light work. About 50% of the membership assisted in some way, and it would have been much higher had there not been a number of competing events that weekend. Special thanks go to people who took responsibility to ensure certain aspects went smoothly: Craig Allen (advertising), Peter Coyne (plant registration and certificates), Bill Ferris (financials), Mark Fraser and Sandra Corbett (photography), Mark Fraser and Ben Wallace (show marshals), Karen & Zoe Groeneveld (café), Robyn Noel (setup), Tony Smith (re-potting Saturday), Richard Phillips (re-potting Sunday), John Ryan (sales table) and Laurie Woods (show convener, sponsors).

The Regional Show and Conference 2011

The Regional Show & Conference was hosted this year by the Shoalhaven Orchid Society on the first weekend of October. Two plants from Canberra won Championships: *Paphiopedilum* Memoria Richard Ong grown by David Judge was Champion Paphiopedilum; *Cymbidium canaliculatum* grown by Karen Groeneveld was Champion Specimen.

Canberra Results: South and West Regional Show Nowra 2011

	mpion Paphiopedil	um	David Judge	Paphiopedilum Memoria Richard Ong
Champion Specimen		Karen	Cymbidium	
Orc	hid		Groeneveld	canaliculatum
24	Dendrobium	1st	Mark	Dendrobium
	exotic species		Clements	nobile
35	Vandaceous	1st	Mark	Phalaenopsis
	seedling		Fraser &	Dendi's
			Sandra	Odyssey
			Corbett	
37	Paphiopedilum	1st	David	Paphiopedilum
	novelty/primary		Judge	Memoria
	hybrid			Richard Ong
39	Paphiopedilum	2nd	David	Paphiopedilum
	seedling		Judge	Berenice
40	Species – any	1st	Nita	Serapias lingua
	other		Wheeler	

40	Species – any	2nd	Rob	Masdevallia
	other		Rough	veitchiana
			C	'Prince des
				Galles'
41	Pleurothallid	2nd	Bob Bush	Masdevallia
	hybrid			Mach Picchu
	•			'Diva'
45	Dendrobium	2nd	Craig	Dendrobium
	kingianum		Allen	kingianum
48	Sarcochilus	2nd	Mark	Sarcochilus
	falcatus		Clements	falcatus
50	Australasian	2nd	Bill Ferris	Dockrillia
	species			fuliginosa
51	Australian	1st	Nita	Chiloglottis x
	terrestrial		Wheeler	pescottiana
51	Australian	2nd	Nita	Pterostylis
	terrestrial		Wheeler	pedunculata
55	Australian	1st	Bill Ferris	Dendrobium
	native hybrid –			Lynette Banks
	white			
60	Australasian	2nd	Nita	Dockrilllia
	native hybrid		Wheeler	Australian
				Ginger



October Judges' Choice Hybrid: *Paphiopedilum* Memoria Richard Ong, grown By David Judge

November Meeting

Alan Stephenson from Nowra is a well-known orchid conservationist and has recently published a book on orchids of the Shoalhaven. Alan will speak on species *Sarcochilus*.

December Meeting

Our Christmas party will be filled with good cheer, a quiz or two, some pictures from the World Orchid Congress in Singapore, and presentation of trophies from our annual Spring Show. We will have the orchid display as usual but no plant sales. Bring a plate of food to share and your favourite beverage. Tea and coffee will be provided.

Horticultural Society of Canberra Spring Exhibition and Rose Show

Saturday 12th November, 12:00pm to 5pm & Sunday 13th November, 11:30am to 4pm.

Entries close with the Honorary Show Secretary at 8pm, on Thursday, 10th November, 2011.

Note: If entering by email or fax it is the exhibitor's responsibility to ensure entries have been received. Sheila Hodgson, 11 Hirschfeld Crescent, McGregor,

ACT, 2615, Phone: 02 6254 8017 email:

2hodgson@tpg.com.au

OR Jan Livingstone, 92 Mainwaring Rich Circuit, Palmerston, ACT, 2913, Phone: 6242 9665

ORCHIDS

- 65. One Cymbidium.
- 66. One standard Cattleya alliance.
- 67. One intermediate Cattleya alliance.
- 68. One miniature Cattleya alliance.
- 69. One *Cattleya* alliance species.
- 70. One Paphiopedilum alliance species.
- 71. One *Paphiopedilum* alliance hybrid.
- 72. One Vandaceous alliance.
- 73. One Oncidium alliance.
- 74. One native orchid.
- 75. One Pleurothallid species.
- 76. One Pleurothallid hybrid.
- 77. Any other orchid species.
- 78. Any other orchid hybrid

Champion Orchid from classes 65 to 78 - ribbon plus \$2

For further information visit the Horticultural Society's website: www.hsoc.org.au/pages/shows.htm#1



September Judges' choice hybrid: *Wilsonara* Franz Wichmann 'Riverview', grown by Ben Walcott

Minutes for the General Meeting September 2011

Welcome to members and visitors

Visitor: Lexie Nichols

Apologies: Lynne & Brian Phelan and Theo & Jenny

Schutz

Members Present: 43

Acceptance of minutes from previous meetings as per the Bulletin - moved Pam Phillips seconded by Karen

Groeneveld - approved.

Meeting: The meeting broke up into two group discussions - David Judge talked on growing Paphiopedilums, and Ben Wallace demonstrated how to grow orchids on mounts. There was then a discussion on member's questions.

Secretary's Report:

Bulletins: Campbelltown - August 2011

Sapphire Coast - August 2011

Eurobodalla - August & September 2011

Batemans Bay - September 2011 Gardens Gazette from Victoria Miriam Anne Newsletter

Other mail: Show details for the South West

Regional Conference, 1-2 October in Nowra from Shoalhaven Society

Cheque Book

Royal Horticultural Society of Victoria - Confirmation of Insurance payment

1 Membership payment 1 Membership application

Letter from Queanbeyan Council re

Show road signs Neutrog advertising

Garden Tours of New Zealand 2012 Thank you note from COMSTAT

Magazines: Orchids Australia - August 2011

Orchid Review - August/September

Orchid Digest - July/August/September

2011

Treasurer's Report:

Balance: \$17,483.16. There are some memberships still coming in, and some Show expenditure going out. Acceptance of the Report moved by Ben Walcott and seconded by Terry Turner - approved.

President's announcements:

- South West Regional Conference and Show -Nowra High School, Nowra, 1-2 October 2011
- Workshop at Robyn Noel's Sunday 16
 October 11.00am to 3.00pm. Re-potting of orchids; building a glasshouse/lean to or orchid bench.
- Walks to see native orchids in situ contact Laurie Woods if you are interested.

Raffle winners: Brenda Thomson, Nita Wheeler, Gary Waters, Terry Turner, Lexie Nichols and Karen Groeneveld.

Lucky Door Prize: Nita Wheeler, but donated to Joe

Portelli

Meeting closed: 10:05pm



September Judges' Choice Species: *Oncidium cheirophorum*, grown by Pam Phillips

General Meeting Minutes October 2011

Welcome to members and visitors.

Visitors: Ron & June Doyle

Apologies: Lynne & Brian Phelan, Theo & Jenny Schutz, Ben & Ros Walcott, Mark Clements and Anne

Mackenzie.

Members Present: 38

Speaker: Jane Wright

Jane spoke on pests and diseases of orchids using a power point presentation. She first talked about insect pests, showing photos of some of them and explaining the treatments that can be used - from changing conditions to use of organic insecticides. Jane then spoke about viruses, showing photos of some of the main ones that effect orchids and again explaining how they are spread and what can be done to prevent this, with reference to testing for viruses.

Jane also showed some photos of the displays at the South West Regional Conference in Nowra during the previous weekend. She then presented the certificates, ribbons and prizes from the Conference. **Secretary's Report:**

Bulletins: Albury-Wodonga - September 2011

Sapphire Coast - September 2011 Batemans Bay - October 2011

Information: AGM of Australian Orchid Council,

Melbourne 22nd October 2011 Southern Orchid Spectacular, 7- 9

October 2011

Bateman's Bay Workshop, 10-12 March 2012 - Speakers: Scott Barrie (Barrita Orchids) & Stephen Stebbing

(Orchids on Newbold)

Other mail: Statement from COMSTAT

2 Membership Forms Letters from CBA 2 requests for our book

Gift Voucher from The Botanical

Bookshop - Show prize

Letter from Southern Cross Club re

sponsorship

Brochure on touring in Tasmania Taiwan International Orchid Show

Feb/Mar 2012

Catalogues: Burbank Nursery

Sunbrix - Garden Charcoal Mix

Acceptance of the Report moved by Terry Turner and seconded by Don Chesher - approved

Treasurer's Report:

Balance: \$26,377.77. The preliminary report on the 2011 Show is that it was quite successful even though there were not as many plant entries as in the previous year. There was however an extensive range of orchids which were of good quality as two plants were awarded. The public entry to the Show was similar to last year with the numbers on both days more or less the same and spread consistently over the day which made it easier for members volunteering at various areas. The takings for entry, refreshments and raffle were up for 2011 with changes in food provided proving successful – well done Karen & Zoe. Plant sales were down for 2011, reflecting the fact that there were less Cymbidiums than normal and one commercial grower didn't attend. All costs are not yet in but there should be a surplus from the Show. Thank you to all members and friends who contributed to the conduct of the Show.

Acceptance of the Report moved by Karen Groeneveld and seconded by Pam Phillips - approved

President's announcements:

- Popular Vote certificates given out
- Southern Orchid Spectacular, Caringbah High School, 7-9 October 2011
- New member's workshop at Robyn Noel's, 7 Newland St, Flynn from 11.00am to 3.00pm, Sunday 16 October 2011

Raffle winners: Brenda Thomson, Nita Wheeler, June

Doyle, Sandra Corbett and Richard Phillips

Lucky Door Prize: Audrey Rough

Meeting closed: 10:20pm



October Judges' Choice Species & Orchid of the Night: Cymbidium canaliculatum, grown by Karen Groeneveld

Sales Table

Pots/Fertilizer/wire Bill Ferris 6297 5635

products

Shirts Robyn Noel 6258 5734 6161 2742

25th Anniversary

Ben Walcott

glasses

Bark David Judge Laurie Woods Orchid Mate

Out and about in Canberra

On the 23rd of October, a group led by Tony Wood and Laurie Woods went on a walk around Black Mountain to discover the local orchids in flower.

Photos by Zoe & Peter Groeneveld.



The group



Glossodia major



Diuris sulphurea



Thelymitra juncifolia



Arachnorchis atrovespa



Thelymitra pauciflora



Calochilus platychilus



Stegostyla cucullata

What's flowering in the glasshouse this week - October 2011

The flush of early spring flowering is now over. The flowering of *Dendrobium speciosum* was very poor this year, but they do go in cycles of good years and bad years. *Dendrobium kingianum*, however, has flowered well, though it's now the species Laelias and mini Cattleyas which are stealing the limelight.

John Ryan







Sophronitis coccinea 'Yellow'



Sophrocattleya Beaufort



Sophrolaeliocattleya Red Jewel



Sophrolaelia Marriotina



Perin's tree frog

Popular Vote July 2011

(There were a few problems with recording the plants, so apologies to members whose plants are not named)

Category	Plant	Owner
Laeliinae species	[Plant not recorded]	Ben Walcott
Laeliinae hybrid	Hawkinsara Lisa Hasegawa 'Glen'	Karen Groeneveld
Vandae	[Plant not recorded]	Terry & Jules Turner
Oncidiinae	Oncidium ornithorhynchum	Karen Groeneveld
Pleurothallidinae	[Plant not recorded]	Kevin Dawes
Paphiopedilum species	[Plant not recorded]	Ben Wallace
Paphiopedilum hybrid	Paphiopedilum Michael Koopowitz	Terry and Jules Turner
Coelogyninae	[Plant not recorded]	Don Chesher
Cymbidium	Cymbidium tracyanum	Ben Wallace
Exotic Dendrobium	[Plant not recorded]	Don Chesher
Australian Dendrobium	[Plant not recorded]	Don Chesher
Australian terrestrial	Taurantha collina	Nita Wheeler
Bulbophyllum	Cirropetalum Elizabeth Ann 'Buckleberry'	Bill Ferris
Other species	Eria marginata	Mark Clements
Orchid of the Night	Oncidium ornithorhynchum	Karen Groeneveld
Judges Choice - Hybrid	Paphiopedilum Michael Koopowitz	Terry and Jules Turner
Judges Choice - Species	Oncidium ornithorhynchum	Karen Groeneveld

Popular Vote September 2011

Category	Plant	Owner
Laeliinae species	Oerstedella centradenia	Bob Bush
Laeliinae hybrid	[Plant name not recorded]	Rob Rough
Vandae	Oeoniella polystachys	Mark Fraser & Sandra Corbett
	Phalaenopsis hybrid	Vi Mach
Oncidiinae	Oncidium cheirophorum	Pam & Richard Phillips
Pleurothallidinae	Dryadella zebrina	Karen Groeneveld
Paphiopedilum species	Paphiopedilum sukhakulii	David Judge
Paphiopedilum hybrid	Paphiopedilum Moustache	Terry & Jules Turner
Coelogyninae	Coelogyne flaccida	Ben Walcott
Dendrobium - exotic	Callista thyrsiflora	Mark Clements
Australian epiphyte species	Tropilis radiata	Bill Ferris
Australian epiphyte hybrid	Dendrobium Coffs Bonza	Pam & Richard Phillips
Australian terrestrial (Pterostylis	Pterostylis curta	Nita Wheeler
sensu latu)		
Australian terrestrial (other)	Jonesiopsis capillata	Mark Clements
Any other orchid	Bulbophyllum lobbii 'Kathy's Gold'	Terry & Jules Turner
Orchid of the Night	Pterostylis curta	Nita Wheeler
Judges Choice - Hybrid	Wilsonara Franz Wichmann 'Riverview'	Ben Walcott
Judges Choice - Species	Oncidium cheirophorum	Pam Phillips

Popular Vote October 2011

Category	Plant	Owner
Laeliinae species	Cattleya intermedia alba	Pam Phillips
	Cattleya intermedia var amethystina	Rob Rough
	'Aranbeem'	
Laeliinae hybrid	Laeliocattleya Trick or Treat	Rob Rough
Vandae	Doritaenopsis Dendi's Midget	Jane Wright
Oncidiinae	Tolumnia Burbank Joy	Bob Bush
Pleurothallidinae species	Pleurothallis gargantua	Jane Wright
Pleurothallidinae hybrid	Masdevallia Machu Picchu 'Jay Vee'	Bob Bush
Paphiopedilum species	Paphiopedilum delenatii	David Judge
Paphiopedilum hybrid	Paphiopedilum Memoria Richard Ong	David Judge
Coelogyninae	Pleione formosana 'White Beauty'	Karen Groeneveld
Australian Dendrobium species	Cepobaculum canaliculatum	Karen Groeneveld
Australasian Dendrobium hybrid	Dockrillia Australian Ginger	Nita Wheeler
Australian Sarcochilus species	Sarcochilus hartmannii 'Prolific'	Rob Rough
Australian Sarcochilus hybrid	Sarcochilus Burgundy on Ice 'Australia'	Rob Rough
Australian other species	Cymbidium canaliculatum	Karen Groeneveld
Australian terrestrial	Caladenia latifolia	Nita Wheeler
Any other orchid	Callista thyrsiflora	Terry Turner
Orchid of the Night	Cymbidium canaliculatum	Karen Groeneveld
Judges Choice - Hybrid	Paphiopedilum Memoria Richard Ong	David Judge
Judges Choice - Species	Cymbidium canaliculatum	Karen Groeneveld

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