Horticultural Award

Went to Peter for an excellent specimen of Phalænopsis stuartiana.
NOTES FROM YOUR COMMITTEE

Former members, Andrew and Kayley Usher have again very generously given another 37 orchids to Maxine for our Society. Maxine and Anne are arranging the repotting (the society will cover the cost of potting mix). These flowering size plants will be used for raffles over the next year.

The November meeting is the Christmas Party, and as we have done in past years, please bring a plate of festive goodies to share. Instead of selling a plant, each member (family or individual) will be given a plant.

To increase the number of raffle prizes at our end of year celebration, we ask that members donate a plant or two to be included in the free raffle- that way, everyone can take home a prize.

Don't forget the parking - please ensure that you park your car in the bitumen parking area whenever possible as it will avoid a fine!

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Home Visits: November - Adrian and Deanne's

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING 23 October 2008, 8.15pm

Present: 31
Apologies: 4
Visitors: Nil
New members: 3 - Gary Yong Gee, David Dowd, Judith Keogh
Minutes: Minutes as circulated accepted (Gordon, Victor)
Business Arising: Nil.
General Business:

Our exhibit gained 3rd prize in the WAOS show. A huge vote of thanks was given - with applause - to Adrian for his efforts.

Maxine was congratulated for her prize winning efforts particularly that of Grand Champion Orchid.

Neville said that there was a lot of positive feedback from visitors to the WAOS. Thanks also to Ken for his efforts in assisting with the importing of sales plants.

The next plant inspection (for Sakdisri) will be late November or early December.

The grant application for a $1,500 new multipurpose printer to the Lotteries Commission is nearly complete - our society will contribute $500 to the purchase.

The meeting then adjourned to participate in the silent auction (we made $635 - congratulations to all!)

Raffle:
Name Badge: Jack

October Home Visit

Maxine hosted the October home visit, scheduled one week later than usual to enable WAOS visitors to attend. Several registrants took advantage of the invitation and thoroughly enjoyed typical Western Australian hospitality, and the chance to meet with other orchid enthusiasts.

Our visitors were truly appreciative of the warmth and friendship and the food provided for morning tea and lunch. As always, Maxine had a number of species in flower including her Grand Champion/Champion Species *Aerangis citrata* and Champion Dendrobium *Dendrobium lineale 'Morobe Shower'*.  

Thanks Maxine
Correspondence:

Inwards: Various newsletters and the Orchid Review.
GCA about payment dates - Sandy and Graham have copies to take action.
Peterskorner - an agreement with the Shergolds of Easy Orchids to be their agent for the sales of orchid growing aids. Peter's contacts are phone (08) 9350 6087, E-mail: and web site http://www.peterskorner.com/
The last WAOS 2008 newsletter with Prize winners listed.

VALE - RON WILLIAMS

We were advised just prior to the October meeting that Ron Williams had passed away. Ron had been in poor health for several years, and in this regard, it was a surprise to many that George Jacob predeceased him. Both were great supporters of the orchid growing hobby in WA and were long time members of the Species Society, regularly hosting home visits at their Orange Grove property. Ron now joins that group of great orchid growers led by Reg Allison looking after all the orchids that we have sent to 'heaven'. Rest in peace.
Graham & Margaret

*Prasophyllum macrostachyum*

*Pterostylis picta*

*Rhinerrhiza divitiflora*
WANTED/FOR SALE

Michael Zink is seeking *Aerangis verdickii* pollen as he has been unable to self-pollinate his plant over several years (the seed capsules are empty). If pollination is successful, he will send you a flask. Please contact Michael on (07) 46354939 or by e-mail zinkwithak@optusnet.com.au.

IMPORTED PLANT NEWS

We had an inspection last Monday - I will bring released plants to the General Meeting and/or the home visit at Adrian and Deanne's. About 40% of the July shipment has been released.

Special thanks to Tony and Maxine for looking after the quarantine glasshouse (and the rest of our orchids) while we were in Hawaii.

Ken

Gordon

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**Encyclia cordigera**

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Home Visits:
November - Adrian and Deanne's
Ken and Chris

Phaius schlecteri

Laelia sp (?)

Cattleya loddigesii
Adrian

*Rhynchostylis gigantea*

*Dendrobium canaliculatum*

*Phalaenopsis equestris*
Peter

Oncidium tigrinum

Dendrobium mortii

Phalaenopsis stuartiana
*Paphiopedilum gratrixianum*

*Sarcochilus hartmanii*

*Paphiopedilum hirsutissimum*

*Paphiopedilum gratrixianum*
Bifrenaria harrisoniae

Cattleya intermedia amethystina

Cattleya intermedia alba
Noel & Eva

Dendrobium nobile

Paphiopedilum callosum

Phaius tankervilleae

Dendrobium nobile
Tony & Mavis

Oncidium pumilum

Phalaenopsis parishii

Solenangis cornuta