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14 June 2011, 7.40 pm

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Apologies:  M. & Arni, Judith, Jeanine, John.
Visitors:  Nil
New members: Wally
Minutes: Minutes as circulated accepted (Anne, Trevor)
Business Arising: Nil
Financial Report: The Financial Report was tabled by Sandra, current balance is $2,184.80. #2 A/c $1811.31. (Neville, Gordon)
Correspondence:
Inwards:  - P. Smith & C. Zervos membership renewal
- M. Arrah (Sec. AOS Conference Committee) re. Singapore display, also seeking confirmation and display requirements of Species Society for the AOC Conference in 2012
Outwards:  - Reply via email to Merle Arrah
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General Business:
- Thanks were extended to Mich, Chris and Graham for their work in repairing the damaged magazine cabinets.
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- The plant descriptions were conducted prior to the auction.
- Noel and Eva were thanked for the great day at their Home Visit. The next one will be at Ken & Chris’ on 26th June.
- Members were requested to provide a plate for morning tea and bring a chair.
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Cultural Award: A superb plant of Laelia anceps var. chamberlainianum grown by Maxine.

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Minutes: Minutes as circulated accepted (Anne, Trevor)
Business Arising: Nil
Financial Report: The Financial Report was tabled by Sandra, current balance is $2,184.80. #2 A/c $1811.31. (Neville, Gordon)
Correspondence:
Inwards:
- P. Smith & C. Zervos membership renewal
- M. Arrah (Sec. AOS Conference Committee) - re. Singapore display, also seeking confirmation and display requirements of Species Society for the AOC Conference in 2012
Outwards:
- Reply via email to Merle Arrah
Business Arising: Nil
General Business:
- Thanks were extended to Mich, Chris and Graham for their work in repairing the damaged magazine cabinets.
- The society has decided on a freestanding display over 9sq.m for the AOC Conference in 2012. The theme is "Wild about orchids". Members were requested to give some thought to this.
- Neville has many plants of Old Man's Beard which he is growing on for use in our display at the Conference. He asked for other members to take some of them as he is running short of room.
- Ken has organized for an inspection of quarantine plants before the next home visit at his place.
- Mich is still organizing the magazines for the library.
- It was noted that Thursday night Bingo will no longer be held at the hall, which means it may be available again should we wish to change back to our original meeting format.
- Mavis advised that October was available for a Home Visit should anyone wish to host one.
- The plant descriptions were conducted prior to the auction.
- Noel and Eva were thanked for the great day at their Home Visit. The next one will be at Ken & Chris' on 26th June. Members were requested to provide a plate for morning tea and bring a chair.
- The auctions were conducted with Tom acting as the auctioneer. Phil's was the lucky winning bid for the OrchidWiz disc ($240). A dark form of C. maxima was donated by Peter (thank you Peter) and the winning bid by Ken ($30). Lastly Coelogyne fuscescens (donated by Adrian - thank you) and the winning bid was by Peter ($30)
- Cultural Award: A superb plant of Laelia anceps var. chamberlainianum grown by Maxine.

ABOUT US
Monthly Meetings
Monthly meetings held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month (exc January at Forster Park Hall, cnr of Abernethy Road and Keane Street, Cloverdale commencing 7.45 pm. Usually, the short formal meeting is followed by plant descriptions given by members. Supper follows to allow members time to socialise and discuss orchids. All visitors are very welcome
Membership Fees
Family $30 PA + 2 badges (1st year only) [Badges come in two versions. Pin fastening ($11.50) or Magnet fastening ($13.50) Please indicate your preference.]
Single $20.00 PA + 1 badge(1st year only) [Pin fastening ($11.50) or Magnet fastening ($13.50)]
New members who don't live in Perth will not require name badges, therefore membership will be at the renewal fee only
Monthly Home Visit
On the weekend following the fourth Thursday of each month (generally on the Sunday morning), a home visit is held at a member's home. This gives members an opportunity to enjoy the fellowship that our mutual interest provides, and to see how others go about growing their orchids.
Monthly Plant Display
Given that the prime objective of the Society is to promote the cultivation of species orchids, only species or natural hybrids are acceptable for display. Since we all may be uncertain about the identification of a plant from time to time, we encourage members to bring plants along about which they are unsure since someone may be able to identify them. There is no competition nor restriction on flower count, quality or length of ownership. We want members to be able to see species plants in flower. So even if your flowers are a bit past their best, bring them in as others may not have seen that species in flower.
Plant Sales
The Society provides an opportunity for members to sell surplus plants and equipment, and for the Society to sell product from time to time. A commission of 10% is charged on all sales.
Plant Purchases
The Society endeavours to obtain a different speices seedling for sale at each meeting, usually costing between $6.00 and $12.00. The Society makes a small profit on these sales which is invested in benefits to members. As it is always difficult to get new or different species, should members have 20 or more plants of one species which they feel might be suitable as a monthly plant, please contact a Committee member.
Raffle
The Society conducts a raffle each meeting and at home visits as a means of raising funds.
Plant Imports
The Society is able to use quarantine facilities provided by Ken & Chris to co-operatively import species orchids.
Management
In accordance with the Constitution, the Annual General meeting is held in May each year at which time the office-bearers and committee are elected. The majority of Committee members serve two year terms.
Peterskorner is now distributing a range of orchid products from Easy Orchids (Murray and Jean Shergold) and we are happy to take orders, and bring them to the Species Society monthly meeting (please confirm your order the week prior to the meeting).

Check out our catalogue at www.peterskorner.com, phone Peter or Shirley on the numbers shown, or e-mail peterskorner@iinet.net.au.