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Anne O'Callaghan Cultural Award
July 2016
Jumellea major
Maxine

NEWSLETTER

NEXT MEETING - TUESDAY 9 August

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MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING

12 July 2016, 7.55pm

Present: 37 1 present as per the register

Apologies: 7 as per register

Visitors: Lina Palla & Caterina Ottobriano

New members: Nil

Minutes: Minutes of the June meeting accepted (Mavis, Courtney)

Business Arising: Nil

Financial Report: Charly advised current balance is \$4,461.91. We also have \$6,000 in a term deposit. (Ken, Ian)

Correspondence:

Inwards:

- Plant labels, 301 to 360, from the BOS for the ISODW
- From Tony about WAOS 2017 at the Scarborough Rendezvous Hotel.
- WAROO meeting minutes from the 19th of June.
- Catalogues from suppliers for the ISODW.
- We are also getting an e-copy of the Brisbane Species newsletter courtesy of Neville.

Outwards:

- Nil

General Business:

- WAOS 2017 is on the 4th (set up) 5th and 6th of August 2017.
- Ten clubs have committed to the 2016 ISOD&W in Busselton. Plants to be dropped with Adrian, Ken or Chris. Please tell Ken as soon as possible which plants you may be able to display so that he can make accurate labels for

them..

The meeting adjourned for bidding in the Silent Auction.

- To set up the Cymbidium Club show the venue will be open from 9am to 6pm on Friday the 26th of August. Courtney will be there. We need two impressive flowering orchids to donate for the raffles.
- About 550 plants have been ordered from the Singapore Show this month.
- There is to be a plant inspection on this Thursday and you will be notified if any of your plants have been released. Please try to pick them up before the 22nd of July so that the quarantine house can cope with the influx from Singapore.
- There is an Open Day at Orchidup in Walpole in October. Some of our members will be attending.

Anne O'Callaghan Cultural Award:

Awarded to Maxine for a magnificent plant of *Jumellea major*.

Raffle:

Name Badge: Sharon

NOTES FROM YOUR COMMITTEE

- The Silent auction was a great success. Thank you to all those members who

donated plants, and to the members who purchased the lots.

- Please contact Ken if you are able to help out at the Cymbidium Club Show. A roster is being prepared of members prepared to attend on either Saturday or Sunday. We need to provide members to operate our sales table, talk to show visitors about species orchids and our Society, and assist with the many others jobs that need to be done.

We also need your flowering species orchids for our display - if you are not able to take your plants to the show, please let Ken know and we will advise where your display plants can be dropped off and collected after the show.

Please advise Ken of any species orchids that you expect to have in flower and available for the display so that plant labels can be prepared.

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Trevor

Neville

Noel & Eva

Tony & Mavis

Barry (dec'd)

Quiet Achievers

2013 Ian

2014 Chris

2015 Margaret

2016 Tom & Pat

NOTICEBOARD

FORTH- COMING EVENTS

Home visits:

At 10 am on the Sunday after the fourth Thursday of each month. Please bring chairs and food to share.

- * 28 August - Tony, Bassendean.
- * 25 September - Margaret, Erskine
- * 30 October - John, Bicton

FOR SALE/WANTED



Imported plant news

Approximately 200 plants were released at the inspection on 14 July 2016, and the majority have been collected by, or posted to members.

We brought back approximately 550 orchids from Ecuador, Peru, Malaysia, Singapore, Taiwan and Thailand which will have been inspected, dipped and are now in quarantine. A big thank you to Charly Hartmann and Tony Watkinson who assisted me with the inspection and dipping. It took us 8 hours

A list for Ten Shin Gardens will be placed on the website in due course for shipment later in the year.

Ken & Chris Jones

MONTHLY PLANT

Epidendrum calanthum

Country of origin: Colombia, Venezuela, Peru, Bolivia and Ecuador

Description: Moderate size, reed-stem free flowering *Epidendrum* species

Difficulty: Easy to grow shadehouse species.

Cost: \$5.00

Epidendrum calanthum Rchb. f. & Warsz. 1854 is a medium to large-sized, hot to cold growing, reed stem terrestrial or epiphyte found in montane forests at 200 to 2200 m elevation. A widespread species, it is found in a wide variety of habitats and is very adaptable to local conditions.

It has many synonyms including *Epidendrum cauae*, *Epidendrum chrysostomum*, *Epidendrum decipiens*, *Epidendrum filomenoi*, *Epidendrum huanucoense*, *Epidendrum ibaguense* var. *confluens*, *Epidendrum laetum*, *Epidendrum paytense*, *Epidendrum pristis* and *Epidendrum schomburgkii* var. *confluens*.

It is easy to cultivate provided reasonably high humidity and ample water with bright light can be given during summer. Pot culture in coarse, free-draining growing media is the simplest way to grow this species. It should also grow on a hardwood slab, although maintaining the high



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humidity required for vigorous growth in summer can be a challenge.

This genus is relatively unaffected by the majority of insect pests and fungal/bacterial pathogens that so often attack our orchids, and therefore is a suitable species for novice species growers.

The flowering size plants (many have already flowered) are the rose coloured form, although there are many different colours including albanistic forms.

Graham & Margaret

Dendrobium tongii
Ionopsis utricularioides
Prasopphyllum parviflorum

Maxine

Bulbophyllum longissimum
Jumellea major
Laelia anceps var. *oaxaquena*

Ken & Chris

Barkeria whartoniana
Bulbophyllum lasiochilum
Bulbophyllum longiflorum
Bulbophyllum species
Dendrochilum wenzelli
Jumellea sagittata
Pleurothallis tuerckheimii
Restrepia brachypus

Adrian & Dee

Dendrobium prenticei
Dendrobium toressae
Dendrochilum spp
Isabella pulchella
Lockhartia oerstedii

Peter

Brassia longissima
Cattleya intermedia alba
Dendrobium goldschmidtianum
Laelia anceps Mendengloria
Laelia anceps var. *veitchiana*
Laelia autumnalis
Oerstedella centradenia
Sophranitella violacea

Courtney

Cymbidium erythrostylum

PLANTS DISPLAYED July 2016



Dendrobium tongii
Graham & Margaret



Laelia anceps ssp *oaxaquena*
Maxine

Tony & Mavis
Zelenkoa onusta

Mediocalcar decoratum
Adrian & Dee



PLANTS DISPLAYED July 2016



Restrepia brachypus
Ken & Chris



Cymbidium erythrostylum
Courtney

Photography by Tony

W.A. Orchid Spectacular Conference & Show **Rendezvous Hotel, West Coast Highway, Scarborough,** **Western Australia**

This species was initially published by John Lindley in 1840, "based on a plant

Dear Orchid Society Members

This is the first of a series of ongoing special Bulletins that are designed to keep you, the members of WA orchid societies informed of the progress being made in planning the 3rd WA Orchid Spectacular & Conference. We are confident that secretaries and newsletter editors will find the information useful and of interest to members. We (the WAOS Organising Committee) want very much to keep WA orchid growers well informed about the planning that is happening, as it happens. We encourage suggestions and input so feel free to contact any of the WAOS Committee if you feel there is anything that we have missed.

The WAOS Committee is:.....

Bruce Larson, WAOS Committee Chairman, a position that he held for the highly successful 19th AOC Conference in 2012. His

e-mail is

bruce@pegasusconsulting.org

Bruce will also share the WAOS secretarial duties with -

Steve Bowman, who is also managing the WAOS financial affairs. Steve is the current Secretary/Treasurer of WAROO and has an excellent understanding of all the financial issues involved with running such events. Steve can be contacted on e-mail sbowman@ercm.org.au

Tony Watkinson has designed and will manage the WAOS web site, is already negotiating with some exciting conference speakers, and will prepare and distribute regular WAOS Bulletins. Tony can be contacted at e-mail waos@iinet.net.au

Ken Jones will assist with import arrangements, documentation and inspection of orchid flasks brought for sale, and coordinate pre-orders. Ken can be contacted at e-mail kcjones@tpg.com.au

Tony Budrovich has agreed to

organise the Orchid Tours which have proved to be so popular at past orchid conferences. Tony can be contacted tonyb1@iinet.net.au

Maxine Godbeer is the Registrar of Judges for the Orchid Judges Panel of WA, and will be responsible for all judging matters including the Show Schedule. Maxine can be contacted at e-mail macjon@lizzy.com.au

All the members of the WAOS Committee are actively involved in the general planning, and organising of the event which will include preparing the venue, organising volunteers, the Opening Ceremony and Conference Dinner, organising cultural workshops for the general public, insurance, publicity and general advertising and the myriad of other matters associated with the successful planning and conduct of events such as that planned for August 2017.

The event will replace the Inter Society Orchid Display and Workshop on the first weekend in August 2017, with set up and judging on Friday the 4th, and will be open to the public on both

Saturday the 5th and Sunday the 6th.

The venue will be the Ballroom of the Rendezvous Hotel at Scarborough WA, in which will be presented orchid displays by WA orchid societies and individuals, and the vendors section for orchid sales, plus an area for orchid culture workshops for the general public.

The lectures by international, interstate and local speakers will take place in the adjoining Garagan Room on both Saturday and Sunday.

The Opening Ceremony will take place just outside the Ballroom, in part of the hotel lobby on Friday the 4th August. The Conference dinner on Saturday the 5th will be held in the Mentelle Room on the same floor, thus keeping all aspects of the event close together.

Registration for the WAOS 2017 is a modest \$100 for the first registrant and \$75 for an accompanying registrant. Registration will give you general entry at all times during the conference and to all the

lectures. The Opening Ceremony (with finger food and drinks) is included in this price. When compared with other similar events, we believe that this is excellent value for money.

The WAOS web site is now on line at http://www.waorchids.iinet.net.au/WAOS_2017.htm

The various pages on this site will be updated regularly as we have information to share. Please bookmark this page and check it from time to time. Hopefully, we have stimulated your interest in being part of this event. If so please follow the links to the 'Expressions of Interest' page and register your interest now.

Every WA orchid society/club is encouraged to participate by staging a display and supporting the event with volunteers. As an incentive to orchid societies/clubs that participate, the Western Australian Regional Orchid Organisation will provide up to \$1000 to reimburse the expense of constructing and staging the display. Further details about how to claim this

reimbursement will be provided closer to the event.

We would love to have you join us and your fellow orchid enthusiasts as part of this exciting, not to be missed event.

Tony Watkinson

Webmaster

ABOUT US

Monthly Meetings

Monthly meetings held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month (exc January) at Wilson Community Hall, Braibrise St, Wilson 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 table 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 species seedling for sale at each meeting, usually costing between \$6.00 and \$15.00. 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.

If unclaimed, return to
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Next meeting Tuesday 9 August